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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

FILE NO. 7-5

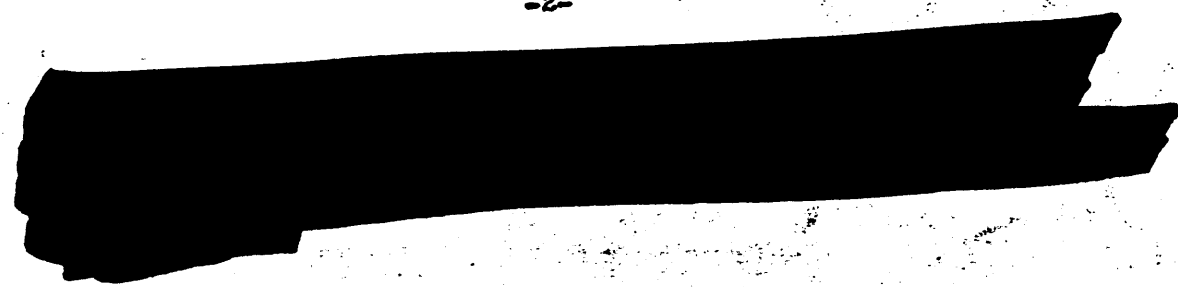
REPORT MADE AT: DENVER, COLORADO	DATE WHEN MADE: 1/11/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/11/35	REPORT MADE BY: N. J. L. PIEPER FR
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: b7c [REDACTED]			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. R. Green, dated 1-7-35, Omaha, Nebraska.			
DETAILS: AT DENVER, COLORADO. Records of the United States Marshal at Denver disclose that Bert T. Robertso [REDACTED]			
DETAILS: [REDACTED]			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: 11 MAR 22 1935 J. S. Green		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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REPORT MADE AT: <b>San Francisco, Cal.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1/10/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1/4/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>W. R. Ramsey, Jr.-IST</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1216. ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1215. DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

1934 California plates #ZH-6639, registered to Mrs. Nora Radtke, Willard Hotel, San Francisco, California, on January 19, 1934, as sole owner of 1934 Oakland 8 Sedan, motor #V322817, serial #308649. Records indicate prior registration in Florida and Ohio, as noted herein below. Operator's license issued Mrs. Radtke 12/27/33, and description noted.

**REFERENCE:**

Telegram from Jacksonville Division Office, dated 1/4/35. Telegram to Jacksonville Office, dated 1/4/35.

**DETAILS:**

Immediately upon receipt of reference wire, Agent communicated telephonically with Miss Ruth Assalena, Sacramento, California, representative of the National Automobile Theft Bureau at Sacramento, California, who advised, after a check of the records of the California State Division of Motor Vehicles, that California 1934 license tags No. ZH-6639 were issued on January 19, 1934 to a Mrs. Nora Radtke, Willard Hotel, San Francisco, as sole owner of a 1932 Oakland 8 Sedan, motor #V322817, serial #308649, which car entered California, November 3, 1933, via Yuma, Arizona.

Miss Assalena advised that attached to the application for the above noted plates, was information indicating a 1933 Florida Automobile Registration, under license #D 32-671, in the name of Mrs. Nora Radtke, with address Plant City, Hillsborough Co., Florida, on 1931 Oakland

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Sedan, same motor number and serial number 328649. She stated that it was also noted that the car had been registered in Ohio during 1932 under license number E36-998, no name or address of former owner being given.

She stated that there was also attached to the application a Pennsylvania Certificate of Title, dated June 11, 1932, covering an Oakland Sedan, motor #322817, serial #308649, in the name of Mrs. Nora Radtke, Fort Pitt Hotel, 10th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, which Certificate of Title is marked "Paid July 18, 193- (not legible).

Miss Assalena located an Operator's License No. C621366, in California, issued 12/27/33 to Mrs. Nora Radtke, wherein she was described as twenty-nine years of age, 5'5½" tall, 128 pounds, eyes and hair brown, married, date of birth December 12, 1904, and information that she had been driving for eleven years, and further that her father's and Mother's names are Robert and Grace Catron.

Miss Assalena advised that attached to the application for the 1934 California plates was a notation indicating an inspection of the car by J. W. Dycer of the San Francisco Division of the California State Motor Vehicle Department, on 12/27/33, who gave the motor number as #V322817, serial #308649.

The substance of the above information was furnished the Jacksonville Office telegraphically on 1/4/35, with the request that in the event further investigation was desired, this office be notified.

In the absence of further advice from the Jacksonville Office, no further investigation in connection with this matter will be conducted.

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L. A. FILE NO. **7-42**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Los Angeles</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1-10-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1-8-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>James G. Findlay</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases I.O. #1218</b> <b>ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases I.O. #1219</b> <b>RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases I.O. #1215</b> <b>DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases I.O. #1232,</b> <b>et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Dover has been kept on the mail of Mrs. Louis Henebergh, sister of Kate Barker; Orenmah Reynolds, niece of Kate Barker; Mrs. Julia Schnell; and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark at 513, 513 1/2 and 513 1/2 So. Union Ave., Los Angeles, Calif., and a cover has been kept on the mail of Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Winters, 1823 No. Vine St., Hollywood, Calif. The tracings received are being sent to Mr. Connalloy at Chicago.</b>			
REFERENCE: <b>Report of Special Agent James G. Findlay, Los Angeles, Calif., December 3, 1934.</b>			
DETAILS: <b>Continuing this investigation and reporting on the covers placed on mail, as indicated in report of reference, said cover has been kept on the mail which has been delivered to residents at 513, 513 1/2 and 513 1/2 So. Union St., Los Angeles, Calif., which is the residence of Mrs. LOUIS HENEBERGH, sister of KATE BARKER, mother of the BARKER BROTHERS, and ORENMAH REYNOLDS, daughter of Mrs. Henebergh, and other persons receiving mail at the said addresses. The following tracings have been received and where the return address has been given in this report, as well as the postmarks which were on these mail tracings are being sent to Mr. Connalloy at Chicago, for comparison with known specimens of the handwriting of subjects and photostatic copies of said tracings are being sent to the Chicago office for the use of that office in making comparisons of the handwriting of the relatives of subjects at Tulsa, Okla. Photostat copies of same are also being retained in the Los Angeles office for further information in case any of these tracings are determined to be tracings of the handwriting of any of subjects.</b>			
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Name	Address	Return
Mrs. Julia Schnell	513 So. Union Ave.	Los Angeles
	513 So. Union Ave., % Okeemah Clark	Los Angeles
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Hene-	513 So. Union Ave.	Los Angeles
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Louis Henebergh	513 So. Union Ave.	Los Angeles
Mrs. Okeemah Reynolds	513 So. Union Ave.	Los Angeles
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Clark	"	Los Angeles
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Clark	"	Los Angeles
Mr. & Mrs. Clark	"	Los Angeles
Mr. & Mrs. Clark	"	Los Angeles
Mr. & Mrs. Bob Clark	"	Los Angeles
Mr. & Mrs. Bob Clark	"	Los Angeles
Mr. & Mrs. Bob Clark	"	Los Angeles
R. Clark	"	Los Angeles
Mrs. Bob Clark	"	Los Angeles
	Mrs. Chas. Martin	Los Angeles
	W. 11th, Kansas City, Mo.	Kansas City, Mo.
	1016 Broadway	Kansas City, Mo.
	Kansas City, Mo.	Kansas City, Mo.
	San Francisco, Calif.	San Francisco
	H. B. Alphonso,	Los Angeles
	Los Angeles Tax	Los Angeles
	Collector	Los Angeles
	Mrs. Ray Dix, Black-	San Francisco
	stone Hotel,	San Francisco
	San Francisco, Calif.	San Francisco

A cover has also been kept on the mail of MR. and MRS. WYATT WINTERS, 1115 Vine St., Hollywood, Calif., friends of MR. and MRS. O. B. CANNON. Two tracings have been heretofore reported in report of reference. Only one additional tracing has been received, which was for Wyatt Winters with no return address and bearing a postmark. This tracing is also being sent to Mr. Connelley at Chicago.

Other features of this investigation are being conducted in the Los Angeles district.

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DOMESTIC	CABLE
TELEGRAM	FULL RATE
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NIGHT LETTER	SHIP RADIOGRAM

Patrons should check class of service desired; otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication.

# WESTERN UNION

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FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

CINCINNATI OHIO JANUARY 8 1935

E J CONNELLEY  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
1900 BANKERS BUILDING  
CHICAGO ILLINOIS

BREKID NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR OHIO LICENSE SIX FIVE FIVE EIGHT NINE ONE ISSUED  
JUNE TWENTYSIXTH LAST TO PETE HORN FOUR THREE TWELVE FRANKLIN AVENUE CLEVELAND  
OHIO FOR THIRTYONE WILLYS COUPE MOTOR SIXTEEN NINE NINE ONE SERIAL SIXTEEN  
EIGHT NAUGHT FIVE

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WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS ARE APPROPRIATE GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS

P. O. Box 536  
Los Angeles, California  
January 11, 1935

JAN 15 1935 AM  
DIVISION ONE

Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. #1218, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
Kidnaping  
L. A. File 7-42

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent  
James C. Findlay, dated Jan. 10, 1935, in the above en-  
titled case.

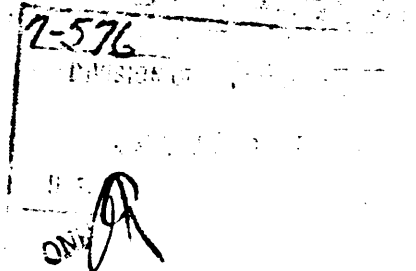
There are enclosed photostatic copies of the  
mail tracings mentioned in said report, which were not  
attached to same, as stated therein.

Very truly yours,

J. E. P. DURN  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc: Division



P. O. Box #766  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

HDH:CE  
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January 8, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. #1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases  
I.O. #1232; et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM;  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram on this date, requesting the name and address of the owner and description of automobile for which 1934 Ohio License No. 655891 was issued.

In confirmation of telegram of this date, this is to advise that the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio advises that the above license was issued on June 26, 1934, to Pete Horn, 4312 Franklin Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio for 1931 Willys Coupe, Motor No. 16991, Serial No. 16805. There have been no transfers of this license and no report of theft. The bill of sale for the automobile in question is Cuyahoga County Bill of Sale No. 2040076.

Copy of this letter is being indicated for the Detroit Office, inasmuch as you may desire further check on the owner of this automobile.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY, 7-576-  
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box #1156,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

January 7, 1935.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your communication of January 2nd, 1935, relative to the mail cover being maintained on the Valley Gardens, 409 Pearl Street, your city. This mail cover may now be discontinued.

Thanking you very kindly for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

WERNER HAGENI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

OCD/HMW  
CC Division ✓  
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Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218; et al;  
Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

January 11, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Nathan has advised that they are reluctant to even mention "Doc" Barker's name in the office or over the telephone, and accordingly everyone refers to him as "5". You will note in the transcriptions of some of the telephone calls that reference is made to "5".

Respectfully,

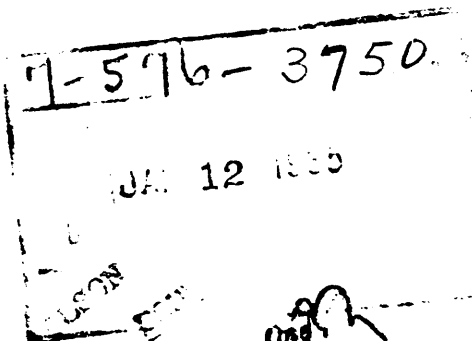
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January 11, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
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Mr. Harbo.....  
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Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

10:05 A.M.

Mr. Nathan called in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case to advise that Monte Carter had made a proposition to furnish all information concerning this case, including the hide-out, provided we put him on the street. Mr. Nathan indicated that there were indications in the papers that he wanted for the St. Valentine's day massacre, but we don't have anything on him anyway and, if necessary, we could live up to the letter of our agreement by putting him on the street, even if the police pick him up a minute afterward. I stated we should, of course, hold him while the hide-out and story were being checked.

Mr. Nathan stated he had been considering the advisability of moving Monte Carter to Detroit (because it is near Chicago) or some other place before he is questioned and, if he comes through with enough information, we could then file on Barker, advising that he was of the opinion, as had been indicated, that it is almost impossible to keep five persons in any prison without their knowing of the identity of the other prisoners, and requested information concerning the accommodations in Detroit. I advised that Detroit was not ideal by any means but that I believed he could be kept safely there.

I advised Mr. Nathan that the Post this morning carried an article to the effect that the coroner's jury condemned us in our promiscuous shooting, stating that we should be more careful. Mr. Nathan stated that he had not yet received a copy of the report, because it had apparently not yet been written up, but the papers out there printed it as being in the report. He advised that he would get a copy of the report as soon as it came out and forward this information to the Division.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Washington, D. C.

REN:RD

December 29, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Nathan ✓  
Mr. Tolson ✓  
Mr. Clegg ✓  
Mr. Baughman ✓  
Chief Clerk ✓  
Mr. Coffey ✓  
Mr. Edwards ✓  
Mr. Egan ✓  
Mr. Harbo ✓  
Mr. Keith ✓  
Mr. Lester ✓  
Mr. Quinn ✓  
Mr. Schilder ✓  
Mr. Tamm ✓  
Mr. Tracy ✓

In connection with efforts to locate members of the Barker-Karpis gang, please be advised that no results were obtained during the week from the various points of surveillance in Chicago. There is no indication of the present whereabouts of any member of the gang.

Pursuant to your suggestion, a list is submitted herewith of the following Agents who possess considerable information regarding the Barker-Karpis gang and members thereof, and in my opinion a conference of these Agents will do much toward creating new interest in the case and, no doubt, will bring about early positive results.

Chicago Office . . . . . R. D. Brown  
S. K. McKee  
Clarence Hurt-?  
C. G. Campbell-?  
John Madala  
J. F. McLaughlin  
Oklahoma City Office . . . . . Paul Hansen ✓  
G. G. Hall ✓  
Dwight Brantley ✓  
San Francisco Office . . . . . W. R. Ramsey ✓  
St. Louis Office . . . . . R. E. Vetterli ✓  
Detroit - Hanson ✓  
Los Angeles Office . . . . . B. E. Sackett ✓  
Salt Lake City . . . . . A. R. Gere ✓  
Kansas City Office . . . . . M. C. Spear ✓ Trainer  
Omaha Office . . . . . Orville Dewey ✓  
Philadelphia Office . . . . . James Fallon  
St. Paul . . . . . R. C. Coulter ✓ ex Hall

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What do you think?  
L. M. Connelley is not  
included. He should be  
as he is in charge of this  
now. J. E. H.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby

EAT:TAM

January 7, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

At the forthcoming conference on the Bremer case in the Chicago Office, no one from the Salt Lake City district is being called, although the Bremer kidnapers are known to have frequented Reno, Nevada in the past. I do not feel that there is anyone in the Salt Lake City Office with a sufficient knowledge of this case to justify bringing them to Chicago to attend the conference, nor does the Salt Lake City Office have any contacts in Reno, Nevada which are worthy of discussion at the conference. Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin has, however, been on special assignment in Reno for a period of several months, and I am advised has developed good contacts throughout the northern section of Nevada. Agent McLaughlin, who has now returned to Chicago, his headquarters, will attend this conference, and I recommend that after the conference, Agent McLaughlin be assigned to the Salt Lake City Office and instructions issued to Mr. Dowd to have Mr. McLaughlin handle the work in the northern section of Nevada. This will keep McLaughlin in the vicinity of Reno, and will enable him to develop contacts and maintain those contacts which he has already developed, without wasting any time and will in addition permit him to carry a full assignment of work from the Salt Lake City Office. If you approve this recommendation, appropriate instructions will be issued for the transfer of Agent McLaughlin.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I talked with Mr. Nathan concerning Mr. Newby's suggestion that a conference of Agents in Charge and Agents be held in Chicago in connection with the Barker-Karpis case. He believes it would be desirable for this conference to be held and have Mr. Connelley participate. I think Mr. Nathan should be there also.

I reviewed with Mr. Nathan, Mr. Newby's suggestions and he wanted to make the following comments with regard to Agents Hurt and Campbell now at Chicago:

Mr. Nathan stated he has submitted a communication to the Division recommending that these agents be transferred from the special detail to regular investigative work. However, I do not feel that action on this will interfere with their attending the conference which Mr. Nathan and I feel should be held next Friday, January 11th.

With regard to the Kansas City office, Mr. Nathan suggested that Special Agent Trainor might be brought with Special Agent Spear. He also stated that any one at Philadelphia other than Agent Fallon who is acquainted with this case would be of more value in a conference of this kind.

If you approve holding the conference I will be glad to forward the necessary telegraphic instructions so that all representatives of the Division listed will be in attendance. I also will be placed to receive your views concerning Mr. Nathan's participation in the proposed conference.

Respectfully,

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Clyde Tolson.

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January 11, 1935

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Mr. Keith	.....
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Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Time - 6:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Chicago and stated that they had succeeded in getting Monty to talk, and he has given them the location of the hideout there in Bensenville, Illinois. He has furnished the identity of the persons who occupy the two houses, and Mr. Connelley stated that Mr. Bremer undoubtedly lied to them as to the actual identification of the house. He has also furnished the information as to where we can find the location of the hideout of these fellows for the winter; that the place is in Florida on a lake there. Monty furnished information and directions as to how the place may be reached, he having been down there about December 18, 1934, at which time he made a contact with Doc Barker and "Slim".

Mr. Connelley stated that he believes that if the place at Bensenville is contacted with this man known to be in custody, it will serve to tip off the men down in Florida. I suggested that the necessary check, though, should be made of the place at Bensenville. Mr. Connelley stated that it might be well to take sufficient men from Chicago and establish a base of operation near the locality of the men in Florida; that from there they could conduct an investigation to ascertain the name of a responsible person to act as a guide. Mr. Connelley stated that if and when they rented cars down there to travel around, they should not attempt to use the Division Hudsons; that it would be better to use Fords or small cars of that nature.

I suggested the possibility of taking the men and the equipment in airplanes and establish a base at either Atlanta or Birmingham; that at this base, the men could split up or rent the cars and complete whatever plans may be made there.

Mr. Connelley stated that he would inform the Division of the results of the check of the location at Bensenville tomorrow.

Respectfully,

JAN 16 1935

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P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
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with aliases, I.O.1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases,  
I.O.1213; DR. JOSEPH P.  
MORAN, with aliases, I.O.1232;  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
Victim. KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul file No. 7-30.

Mr. Adolph Bremer called Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry and stated that he would like to have a conversation with him. In reply to this call, Agent Fortenberry called at the home of Adolph Bremer on January 9, 1935, and he stated that Harry Sawyer, through Dave Weinstein and C. D. Johnston, had been attempting to get him to sign an affidavit stating that he did not think Harry Sawyer had anything to do with the kidnaping of his son, Edward G. Bremer.

Mr. Bremer insisted that his name not be used in connection with this matter inasmuch as he did not want his son Edward to know he had this information, neither did he want other members of the family or employees of the brewery know of his having this information. Agent Fortenberry assured him that his name will not be used in this matter.

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This matter is being given appropriate attention. WEINSTEIN was questioned at the St. Paul Office about two and one half months ago but no information of value was given by him. The identity of ~~WILLIE~~, mentioned in the attached memorandum is not known to this office, however, the Chicago Division Office has been advised as to the telephone call.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*

D.M. LADD, *Rec*  
Special Agent in Charge.

SLF:HVS



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

TDQ:A

January 9, 1935

9 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Baughman	✓
Chief Clerk	✓
Mr. Coffey	✓
Mr. Edwards	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Keith	✓
Mr. Lester	✓
Mr. Quinn	✓
Mr. Schilder	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Newby

Kindly be informed that Mr. Nathan telephoned from the Chicago Office this morning with further reference to the Karpis-Barker case and stated that Gibson, of course, had been killed and that the individual that he had reported to you during the night as Willie Harrison was not in fact this individual; that his true name is Bryon Bolton, alias Monty Carter, a minor member of the Karpis-Barker gang and is supposed or alleged to have received his cut of the Bremer ransom money in making arrangements for the hideout; that they also have in custody three women. Mr. Nathan stated that the press realizes that they have some women in custody but do not know their identity; that the true identity of these women is as follows:

Clara Gibson - wife of the deceased Gibson.  
Mildred Kuhlman  
Ruth Heidt.

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Mr. Nathan stated that in all probability Mildred Kuhlman was living with Doc Barker and that Ruth Heidt, according to her statement, alleges that she was visiting the other two women. However Mr. Nathan believes that possibly she was the girl-friend of Bryon Bolton, alias Monty Carter.

He further stated that the Crime Conference with regard to the Bremer case which was scheduled to be held at Chicago today will not go forward this morning in view of the fact that most of the men were up all night and that arrangements have been made for the Agents reporting to attend this conference to find them plenty to do until the conference starts; that it is entirely probable the conference will be held this afternoon. If not, it will go forward without any question tomorrow.

Concerning the Allen Cressler Bomberger kidnaping case, Mr. Nathan stated that this case had been entirely washed out in view of the fact that the victim 'phoned the Chicago police at 3:30 A.M. this morning stating that he had been released near the Great Northern Hotel in Chicago and arrangements were made for Agents of the Chicago Office to have him immediately brought to the Chicago Office. Mr. Nathan states he has conferred with the victim and does not believe his story. He claims he was kidnaped, taken to Indianapolis, brought to Chicago and released without any ransom being paid.

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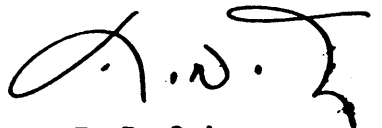
Mr. Nathan states that under a little pressure he believes the true story of this case could be ascertained, but that he does not believe it would be advisable in view of the prominence of the victim's parents and that he is more convinced than ever at this time that there was actually no kidnaping involved in the case at all. He stated that the parents of the subject were on their way to the Chicago Office in order to obtain custody of the victim and that he will be released shortly; that he furnished several leads which will be checked thoroughly.

Mr. Nathan stated that he will hold shortly another session with the press and furnish them with information concerning Bryon Bolton, alias Monty Carter, but will give no information to the press relative to the women in custody; that, of course, no information would be given out relative to the apprehension of Karpis.

He stated that a Coroner's inquest would be held this morning relative to the shooting of Gibson and arrangements have been made for Agent Brown to attend, in view of the fact that Brown was at the scene during the shooting; is friendly with the investigator for the Coroner, and will tell the facts as they actually occurred; that is, that Gibson came out of the house armed and that five or six Agents fired - the identity of the person or persons that actually hit Gibson, of course, being unknown.

Mr. Nathan further stated that everything was well under control and that he would communicate with you later on in the day.

Respectfully,

  
T. D. Quinn.

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Mr. Schuler.....  
Mr. Tamin.....  
Mr. Tracy.....

AS RESULT COVERS ON BARBARA AND PATRICIA LONQUEST 439 ARLINGTON PLACE  
MILDRED KUHLMAN TRACED TO 432 SURF STREET WHERE LIVING ALONE BUT  
REGISTERED AS A. R. ESSER A D WIFE ABOUT JANUARY THIRD APPARENTLY  
HUSBAND RETURNED AND SURVEILLANCE MAINTAINED WITH SHADOWS OF AUTOMOBILES  
LEADING TO HIDEOUT 3912 PINEGROVE WHERE APPARENTLY WILLIE HARRISON AS  
J. E. BOLTEN RENTED APARTMENT ONE NORTH 3920 PINEGROVE SURVEILLANCE  
MAINTAINED AND PARTIES LATER IDENTIFIED AS RUSSELL GIBSON AND ARTHUR  
H. BARKER OBSERVED BUT IDENTIFICATIONS NOT DEFINITE HOWEVER OTHERS  
APPARENTLY LIVING 3920 PINEGROVE AND AT LEAST TWO WOMEN. MORNING  
JANUARY EIGHT PARTY 8 I IDENTIFIED AS RUSSELL GIVSON AND APPARENTLY  
HIS WIFE SEEN IN ALLEY LATTER ADDRESS AND SURVEILLANCE TIGHTENED AND  
ADDITIONAL MEN PLACED BOTH ADDRESSES TO TAKE PARTIES WHEN REASONABLY  
CERTAIN ALL PERSONS SEEN WERE IN EACH APARTMENT. EVENING JANUARY  
EIGHT TWO MEN SEEN MOVING THINGS FROM 3920 PINEGROVE WITH ONE WOMAN  
REMAINING. ARRANGED TO TAKE BOTH PLACES RATHER THAN FURTHER  
SURVEILLANCE. MYSELF SIXTEEN MEN TO TAKE 3912 PINEGROVE AND  
TO PLANT 432 SURF STREET UNTIL FIRST ADDRESS TAKEN UNLESS  
TIME PARTY EVIDENTLY ARTHUR H. BARKER AND MILDRED LEFT STREETMENT  
APARTMENT LATER ADDRESS.

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ARTHUR H. BARKER AND MILDRED LEFT APARTMENT ABOUT SEVEN P. M. AND TAKEN UNARMED ON STREET AGENTS BRINGING HIM TO OFFICE WITH MILDRED UNOBSERVED. MACHINE GUN AND 380 AUTOMATIC COLT NUMBER 115483 CLIPS AND DRUMS FOUND IN APARTMENT ALSO STEEL VEST. RUSSELL GIBSON AND WIFE RETURNED 3920 PINEGROVE TEN FIFTY P. M. PARTY LATTER IDENTIFIED BYRON BOLTON ENTERED REAR, PLACE AS PREVIOUSLY ARRANGED SURROUNDED AGENTS BARBER AND WHITE AT REAR EXIT OTHER AGENTS BACKING THEM UP. AGENT BROWN, MCKEE, MCINTIRE AND MYSELF ENTERED FROM FRONT. THIS AGENT ON SPEAKING TUBE INVITED THEM OUT INTO VESTIBULE IDENTIFYING MYSELF IN CONVERSATION WITH CLARA GRAY. CLARA GRAY AND WOMAN IDENTIFIED AS RUTH HEIDT DIVORCED WIFE WILLIE HARRISON CAME OUT FRONT AND IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER GIBSON WENT OUT BACK DOOR WITH STEEL VEST FIRING THREE SHOTS FROM BROWNING AUTOMATIC RIFLE AT AGENTS BARBER AND WHITE. GIBSON KILLED BY 351 RIFLE SHOT THROUGH VEST AND LUNG HIT 11-15 P. M. DYING ONE FORTY A. M. JANUARY NINTH

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BYRON BOLTON CAME ON FRONT WAY AND HE TWO WOMEN BROUGHT TO OFFICE. ARGUED ABOUT EIGHT MINUTES BEFORE THEY WOULD COME OUT. FIRED THREE GAS SHELLS INTO WINDOW FROM SIDE DUE TO DARKNESS STRUCK WINDOW NEXT DOOR APARTMENT NO ONE INJURED THERE NO SHOOTING INTO ANY APARTMENT EXCEPT RUSSELL GIBSON APARTMENT. IMMEDIATELY SHOOTING NECESSARY ARRANGED JANITOR TO MEET EXPECTED POLICE TO ADVISE THEM TO REPORT TO ME AND WHO WE WERE WHICH WAS ACCOMPLISHED AND POLICE WHO APPEARED COOPERATED FULLY NO FRICTION THEY REMAINING UNTIL MATTER CLEARED UP AND SEIGE APARTMENT COMPLETE AND DETERMINED NO OTHERS IN APARTMENT. CHICAGO TRIBUNE CARRIED STORY THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN FRICTION POLICE AND CREATED IMPRESSION CITIZENS ENDANGERED. HOWEVER DURING SEIGE BEFORE DETERMINED ALL OUT OF APARTMENT I PROCEEDED INTO COURT YARD AND WARNED ALL PEOPLE TO STAY INSIDE CLOSE WINDOWS AND LOCK DOORS IDENTIFYING OURSELVES TO THEM. RECOVERED THIS APARTMENT TWO BROWNING AUTOMATIC RIFLES IN ADDITION ONE USED BY GIBSON ALL NUMBERS REMOVED TWO COLT AUTOMATIC 32 NUMBER 481720 AND 304899 ONE POLICE POSTIVE REVOLVER 38 NUMBER 273652 ONE SAWED OFF SHOT GUN 20 GAUGE ONE 351 RIFLE TWENTY SHOT CLIP FITTED AS MACHINE GUN

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VARIOUS AMMUNITION CLIPS LOADED TWO STEEL VESTS ALSO LOCATED  
AND RECOVERED 1934 FORD V8 SEDAN AND FORD 1934 V8 VICTORIA COUPE USED  
BY GRAY BY LICENSES WE HAD BEEN CHECKING WHERE PLACED IN TWO GARAGES  
VICINITY 3912 PINEGROVE. SUBJECT BARKER ADMITTING NOTHING BOLTON  
SLIGHTLY TALKATIVE BUT LITTLE INFORMATION MI

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MILDRED KUHLMAN AND CLARA GIBSON TELLING CONSIDERABLE AS KNOWN TO  
THEM RUTH HEIDT ADMITS VERY LITTLE. CORNER INQUEST GIBSON JUSTIFIABLE  
HOMICIDE POLICE INTERESTED IN BOLTON REFERENCE SAINT VALENTINE DAY  
MASSACRE CHICAGO. REPORT MAILED TONIGHT AIRMAIL GIVES DETAILS  
LEADING UP TO RAID.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

LAH/ess

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 9, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstracts of criminal records and descriptions of Mrs. Mary Havnar and Marie Henderson, and two copies each of abstract of criminal record, description, and photograph of Marie Gallegos, our file #134768, as appearing in the files of the Identification Unit, one of whom is possibly identical with the Marie Borley whose record Mr. Newby requested.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*

L. C. Schilder.

*not identical*

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Division of Investigation  
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The following is an abstract of the fingerprint record  
of one Mrs. Mary Havnar, with alias, on file in the  
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The following is the description of the above subject  
as appearing [REDACTED]  
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The following is an abstract of the fingerprint record of one Marie Henderson, on file in the Division of Investigation:

[REDACTED]

The following is the description of the above subject as appearing on [REDACTED]

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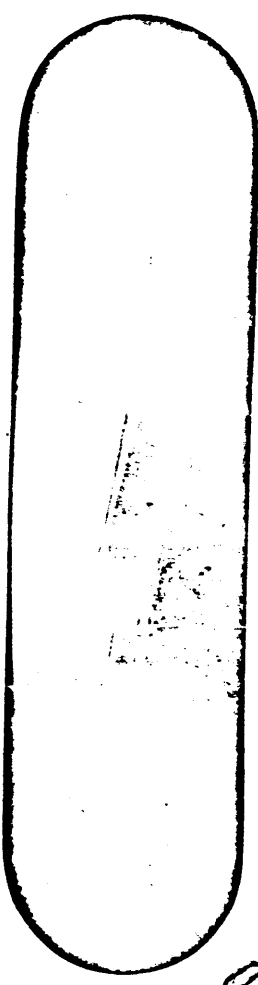
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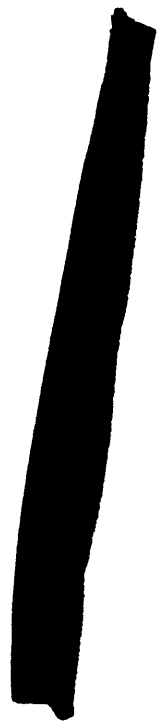
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY.

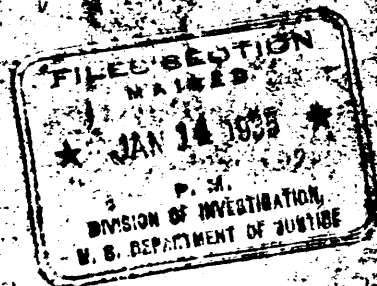
I am transmitting herewith a copy of a memorandum dated January 12, 1935 which I have today furnished to the Attorney General, relative to the killing of Russell Gibson, while resisting arrest by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation at Chicago, Illinois on the evening of January 8, 1935.

As a result of the raid conducted on the premises occupied by Gibson, his wife Clara Gibson, Ruth Heidt, the ex-wife of Willie Harrison, another member of the Barker-Karpis gang, and Byron Bolton were taken into custody.

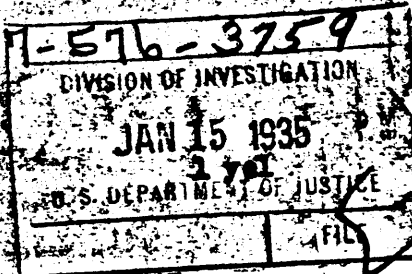
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Boston, Massachusetts,  
Post Office Box #2344.



January 14, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Ave. at Ninth St., N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am today in receipt of a telephonic communication from Phillip S. Melcher, Clerk, U. S. Custom Service, Custom House, Portland, Maine, advising that he is in receipt, in a remittance made by the Collector of Customs, Jackman, Maine, of a \$10 Federal Reserve note, #104976793A issued by the Federal Reserve Bank, Ninth District, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Attention is invited to this note which is listed among the bills enumerated in list of ransom money attached to Division circular letter dated February 8, 1934. It is assumed by this office that the note in question is part of the ransom money paid in the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS, w.as., I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, w.as., I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, w.as., I.O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, w.as., I.O. #1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING.

Mr. Melcher advised that he doubted whether the Collector at Jackman, Maine, from whom this note was received, knows the source of same inasmuch as it was included in a remittance made to the Custom House at Portland, Maine, of more than \$900. Notwithstanding, a communication is being addressed to the Collector at Jackman, Maine, requesting such information as he may possess in regard to the source of this note.

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Very truly yours,

C. D. McKEAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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January 3, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
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Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schiller.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....

While talking to Mr. Guinane on other matters, I inquired as to whether any Agents remained at Reno, Nevada. He stated that Agent McLaughlin was still there but that Agent Criss had returned to San Francisco. I inquired as to what work remained to be done in Reno and Mr. Guinane stated that there were "a lot of loose ends" to be picked up there. I suggested that Mr. McLaughlin exhaust any immediate leads requiring his attention as the result of his being assigned to Reno for such a long period and that the remaining leads be handled in routine fashion, Agent McLaughlin to return to Chicago as soon as possible. I instructed Mr. Guinane to have Agent Murphy return to Chicago as soon as possible, but authorized him to retain Agents Nichols and Deere until the last of the week, in order that they might assist in the arrest of the various San Francisco hoodlums who will be indicted this week for harboring Gillis after which these Agents are also to return to their headquarters.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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The dead line for all of these agents is close of business Jan. 8. They must all return to their offices then & the work handled by regular staff.

J. E. N.

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Boston, Massachusetts,  
Post Office Box #2544.

U. S. Collector of Customs,  
Yachima, Maine.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of information today, from  
Mr. Malcher, Clerk of the U. S. Custom Service, Custom  
House, Portland, Maine, that with your permission of  
several hundred dollars was found a Federal Reserve note  
(\$10.00), #104876793A which was paid as ransom money in  
a kidnaping case which this Division is investigating.

I will appreciate it if you will advise me im-  
mediately if you can recall from when this Federal Reserve  
note was received.

Very truly yours,

cc - Division  
SPT:MT  
C. P. HARRIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 2112  
Detroit - Michigan  
January 14, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 828  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1210;  
RUSSELL W. BROWN with aliases (Deceased),  
I.O. #1215;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232;  
et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that it has been determined that Ohio 1934 license plates number 933-139 which were recovered during the raid in Chicago on the night of January 8, 1935, were issued to M. A. Jendall, 2032 Morris Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, for 1934 Studebaker Sedan. This license was issued on May 11, 1934. The Bureau of Motor Vehicles at Columbus, Ohio, has informed us that these plates were reported stolen from Mr. Jendall and a new set of plates were reissued to him.

It will be recalled that "Doc" and Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Harry Sawyer are known to have resided in Cleveland around the above date. Karpis, Fred Barker and Harry Sawyer were living in houses situated in Lakewood, Ohio. Therefore, it is assumed that one of these individuals stole the license plates. However, the necessary inquiry will be made of Mr. Jendall at Lakewood concerning the theft of the plates in an attempt to secure further information with regard to this gang.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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DIRECTOR

BREKID CORONERS JURY COOK COUNTY, JANUARY TENTH, RENDERED VERDICT  
REFERENCE DEATH RUSSELL G GIBSON QUOTE RUSSELL G GIBSON CAME TO HIS  
DEATH 1/9/35 AT THE AMERICAN HOSPITAL FROM A SHOTGUN WOUND OF THE  
ABDOMEN, CAUSED WHEN THE DECEASED, WHO WAS A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE  
WAS ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE ARREST BY U S GOVERNMENT AGENTS AND WAS  
STRUCK BY BULLETS FIRED FROM THE GUNS OF SAID GOVERNMENT AGENTS ON  
1/8/35 AT THE REAR OF 3912 PINE GROVE AVENUE ABOUT 11-40 PM. FROM  
THE TESTIMONY PRESENTED, WE, THE JURY, FIND THIS OCCURRENCE JUSTIFIABLE  
HOMICIDE UNQUOTE AFTER JURY HAD INDICATED THIS AS THEIR COMPLETE  
FINDINGS THE DEPUTY CORONER STATED QUOTE FOR THE SAKE OF THE RECORD  
I WANT TO COMMEND THE U S GOVERNMENT AGENTS. AT THE SAME TIME, I THINK  
WHEN MAKING ARRESTS OF THIS KIND, THAT SOME PRECAUTION SHOULD BE MADE  
XX TAKEN TO ASSURE THE LIVES OF NEIGHBORS AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS,  
WHO MIGHT NOT BE AWARE OF THE TYPE OF ARREST THEY ARE TRYING TO MAKE.  
THAT CLOSES THE INQUEST UNQUOTE REFERENCE TELETYPE TODAY AFTER  
SHOOTING WAS NECESSARY I ARRANGED TO CONTACT POLICE WHERE THEY APPEARED  
AND ADVISED THEM OF OUR IDENTITY AND WHAT WE WERE DOING, WHICH WAS  
DONE, AND OFFICERS WHO ARRIVED COOPERATED FULLY. ALSO IN THIS CONNEC-  
TION, IMMEDIATELY SHOOTING WAS NECESSARY I PROCEEDED INTO THE COURTYARD  
AND WARNED ALL OCCUPANTS OF THE BUILDING OF OUR IDENTITY AND THAT  
THEY SHOULD REMAIN INDOORS, CLOSING THEIR WINDOWS AND LOCKING THEIR  
DOORS, ADVISING THEM OF THE SERIOUSNESS OF WHAT WAS GOING ON

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January 14, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

Mr. Nathan.....  
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The fingerprints of A. R. (Doc) Barker, with alias, received in the Division from the Chicago Division office, and identified with the fingerprints of Dock Barker, Identification Order #1219, were observed to show mutilation. Accordingly, when the fingerprints were received in the Identification Unit, they were compared immediately with the fingerprint cards filed in the special Mutilated Fingerprint File which was inaugurated as indicated in my memorandum of September 17, 1934. The fingerprints received currently were identified with a photographic copy of the fingerprints of Doc Barker which had been placed in this special file, as indicated in my memorandum of September 26, 1934.

An examination of the impressions of Barker appearing on the current fingerprint card shows that a considerable portion of each finger tip was scarred. The mutilation is centered in each finger about the core. An examination of the ten impressions allowed the correct primary and secondary classifications. The ridge counts were in doubt in so far as the exact number was concerned. However, from the general appearance of the ridges, the sub-groups necessary could be determined.

It is believed that in this particular case which shows a rather serious mutilation an identification could have been effected in the regular fingerprint files within a reasonable time. The existence of the special Mutilated Fingerprint File, however, expedited the identification.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*

L. C. Schilder.

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January 12, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

The developments during the past week in the Brennan kidnaping case were the apprehensions of Arthur R. Barker, Byron Bolton alias Monte Carter and the killing of Russell Gibson at Chicago, Illinois on January 8, 1935.

At the time Barker was taken into custody he was accompanied by one Mildred Kuehlman. At the time Gibson was killed while resisting arrest, there were also taken into custody Clara Gibson, his wife, and Ruth Heidt, the ex-wife of Willie Harrison. The questioning of these individuals is being conducted at the Chicago Division Office and the indications are that considerable information will be obtained from these individuals.

There was also held at the Chicago Office on January 9 and 10, 1935 a conference of those Special Agents who are familiar with the Barker-Karpis gang, for the purpose of discussing the case and its various ramifications with the view to bringing it to an early conclusion. The results of this conference will be reported by me in a separate memorandum.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
R. E. Newby.

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I called Mr. Nathan tonight at Chicago and informed him of your desire that he personally repress any publicity that may arise out of the Karpis matter. Mr. Nathan advised that there has been no publicity as yet.

I asked Mr. Nathan for details of the capture and he advised that they were there waiting at the place and when he came out, he was taken into custody. He was unarmed and they encountered no trouble in taking him. A machine gun, some Monitor clips, a heavy bullet-proof vest, and a rubber hose were found in the place.

Mr. Nathan was advised to answer no questions and give no information on whether we have or do not have Barker or Karpis or Robinson because some of these newspaper men are going to get smart enough to make daily inquiries and then some day we are going to say that we have no comments and then if the fellow is smart enough, he is going to draw his own deductions.

Mr. Nathan stated that Barker is a tough one and is not going to talk. They are going to work in shifts during the night.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

12:15 P.M.

I received a call from Alt in connection with the Bremer case. He advised he had gotten in touch with Connelley, who is at the Marion Hotel in Ocala, but that he does not want to talk from there; that Connelley had advised he is all set for tonight and will call Alt back later to give instructions about the Agents there in Jacksonville, indicating in his last conversation that they have found the place.

I advised Alt that I would like to talk with Connelley and requested that he contact Connelley and request him to go some place several miles away from the hotel and call me. Mr. Alt advised that there are a number of small towns within a radius of ten or fifteen miles from Ocala where there are telephones which Connelley could use, but that it was his, Alt's, understanding that they would all go through the same pay station at Ocala. I advised that if it were impossible for me to talk with Connelley, I could convey the instructions to Alt and have him relay them to Connelley.

A few minutes later I called Alt to advise him that it would be all right for him to relay the instructions to Connelley, but he stated Connelley had already started for a town a short distance away and would contact me by telephone in a very short while.

Respectfully,

  
E. A. Tamm.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINN.**

FILE NO. **7-11 MAM**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>BUFFALO, N.Y.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1/16/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1/7, 12, 15/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. D. CUNNINGHAM</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218 ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219 RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1215 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  <div style="text-align: center;"> <p><b>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b></p> <p>No auto and burglar sawed-off shotgun, 20-gauge, No. 109198 manufactured by Ithaca Gun Co. Tracings of cover placed on mail of Mrs. Gladys Hodil, Bflo, N.Y., set forth. Check of records of Registry of Motor Vehicles, Albany, N.Y., reveals three 1934 Buick Sedans with 1934 registration ending in "337."</p> </div>			
REFERENCE: Telegram from Special Agent in Charge E.J. Connelly, Chicago, Ill., 1/12/35; report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Ill., 12/17/34.			
DETAILS: At <b>ITHACA, N.Y.</b>  <div style="text-align: center;"> <p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p>Mr. Z. Howland, Head Repair and Shipping Department Clerk, Ithaca Gun Co., upon interview, advised that his company has manufactured auto and burglar sawed-off shotguns since 1924. He stated that these guns were 20-gauge and double-barrelled, but that the lowest number on this type of gun is about 350,000. At the writer's request, gun #109198 was found in the manufacture record, and it was ascertained that this gun was made in 1903; that it was a 12-gauge double-barrelled shotgun. Mr. Howland explained that</p> </div>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>J.P. MacFarland</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <b>7-576-3767</b>		RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>JAN 17 1935</b>
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even if the barrel was sawed off, this gun would not shoot a 20-gauge cartridge, as the loading chamber was not the correct size.

Mr. Howland advised that inasmuch as his company did manufacture an auto and burglar sawed-off double barrel 20-gauge shotgun, that he believed the number in the telegram of reference was incorrect. As to numbering these guns, he stated that no two are numbered alike--even if they are of different styles, and that gun #109198 would be old and obsolete, as it was now thirty years old.

The writer attempted to ascertain to whom gun #109198 was shipped. Mr. Howland advised that the greater part of the records prior to 1912 had been destroyed in a fire. After searching the available records, he stated that this particular record had been burned, and in view of this fact there was no way to trace the purchaser of the gun.

At BUFFALO, N.Y.

Constant surveillance has been maintained of Mrs. Gladys Hodil, (who resides with her mother, Mrs. Emma Springer, 1249 Michigan Ave.) since her arrival in Buffalo. She is still in this city. Cover has been maintained that Mrs. Hodil has received letters from New York City, Chicago, Flint, Mich. and Pittsburgh, Pa. These tracings are being set forth hereinafter for the information of St. Paul Office and of Special Agent in Charge at Chicago, Ill.

Addressed to:

Sender

c/o Emma Springer

Gladys Hodil

Ruth G. Hodil

Gladys Hodil

Ruth Hodil

Ruth Hodil

Bowen

Chemical Co.

Chas. H. Phillips

170 Varot St.  
New York City

At ALBANY, N.Y.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Paul J. O'Leary, of this office.

Commissioner of Motor Vehicles Harnett, upon interview, stated that he would be glad to comply with Agent's request in having a search of the records made for any Buick Sedan, 1934 model, which was registered in 1934 under numbers, the last three of which would be "337."

Miss May Cary was placed in charge of such a search and she reported that there were three 1934 model Buick Sedans which were registered under numbers ending with "337." There are the following noted registrations:

1. #7E 4337 George Alfred Bowen - 1934 Buick Sedan  
616 W. Center St.  
Medina, N.Y.

2. #3U 3337 Margaret Eager - 1934 Buick Sedan  
2101 Cedar Ave.  
New York City

3. #2V 9337 Florence Hollinshead - 1934 Model Sedan.  
911 McLean Ave.  
Yonkers, N.Y.

Miss Cary stated that the data on the registration did not include any description of the car, so no comparison could be made with the description of the car referred to on PP 51-52 of report of reference. Miss Cary had all Buicks having registration numbers ending in "337" listed, but same are not being set out in this report, as this information is deemed not material.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW YORK OFFICE will make appropriate investigation to ascertain reputations of Florence Hollinshead, 911 McLean Ave., Yonkers, N.Y., and Margaret Eager, 2101 Cedar Ave., New York City, owners of 1934 Buick Sedans -- and will attempt to learn whether either of these cars is the one which informant Behn, on pages 51-52 of report of reference refers to as "a 1934 model, dark colored sedan, equipped with a large black, full-sized trunk on the rear, and bearing 1934 New York license plates, the last numbers

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being "337" .." and in which he states he saw subjects Willie Harrison and Harry Campbell riding. This car was reported as seen at Chicago.

BUFFALO OFFICE, at MEDINA, N.Y.,-- will make appropriate investigation to determine the identity of car owned by George Alfred Bowen, 512 W. Center St., this city. Will attempt to ascertain the possibility of said car being the car referred to on pages 51-42 of report of reference.

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E. A. TAMM

Post Office Box 2114  
Detroit, Michigan

January 15, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers' Building  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
Kidnaping Detroit File #7-25

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that immediately following the activities in Chicago on January 8, Special Agents Hall and Sosey of this office were dispatched to Toledo for the purpose of keeping in contact constantly with the confidential informant there who had furnished valuable information, and it is felt that within due course this informant will secure additional information regarding other members of the gang.

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I contacted informant [redacted] today, and she advised me that she succeeded last Sunday in making a contact with C. J. Fitzgerald, also known as "Big Fitz", and "Old Charlie".

[redacted] She positively identified "Old Charlie" as the man in the photograph shown her as being identical with the individual sought by this Division.

Fitzgerald told her that Fred Barker and mother, Ray Karpis and his paramour, Dolores Delaney, are now in Florida. He stated that Fred Barker contacted him at Toledo just before Christmas, having driven alone from Florida to Toledo. At that time Fred Barker wanted Fitzgerald to return to Florida with him, but Fitzgerald stated that he desired to remain in Toledo for a few weeks longer.

He told [redacted] that he did not know exactly where the gang was living in Florida, but stated that it was in the northern portion of the state where hunting is good. He told the [redacted] that Fred Barker had informed him that he, Barker, had recently killed four deer.

Fitzgerald stated that Doc and Willie Harrison were at Toledo around Christmas time, and that he is now awaiting the return of Doc Barker, stating that it was Doc Barker's plans to return to Toledo between the

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fourth and tenth of January. Fitzgerald also informed her that he is anticipating going to Florida tomorrow but that he is being delayed on account of waiting for Doc Barker.

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He told the [redacted] that he, Fitzgerald, was living with a bootlegger in Toledo, and that the gang always contacted him immediately upon their arrival in Toledo. He stated that Fred Barker always comes directly to the house, but that whenever any of the other members of the gang come into town they call him over the telephone and then arrange a meeting place. The [redacted] was not able to learn from Fitzgerald without asking him openly where he is residing, but she did make definite arrangements with him to contact her at the hotel tomorrow. In accordance with our instructions she will proceed to Florida with Fitzgerald if he invites her to do so. He offered her some money and appeared very friendly.

She informed him that she was very desirous of contacting Fred Barker and Ray Karpis. Fitzgerald further informed her that he and his wife, Belle, were in Europe last summer with Mother Barker and that upon his return to this country he went to San Francisco where he entered a hospital, name unknown for treatment of an injured leg. He stated that a Doctor Peterson took care of him and that he was visited by Baby Face Nelson about six or seven weeks ago at the hospital. He also stated that it will be necessary for him to return to the hospital in about two months for further treatment. The [redacted] does not know what the trouble is with Fitzgerald's leg, but she states that he limps very noticeably and is carrying a cane.

Fitzgerald informed the [redacted] that both Doc Barker and Willie Harrison were in Chicago when Russell Gibson was killed, and that he has become somewhat worried about them. He further told her that Volney Davis has not been in touch with the other members of the gang for some time. He also told her that his wife, Belle, who is alleged to be around St. Paul received information from Blanche Davenport, wife of Jack Davenport to the effect that Harry Sawyer is supposed to be hiding at a farm not far from St. Paul and that his wife Gladys Sawyer has been seen frequently going around with two strange men in St. Paul and Minneapolis; that she has not contacted her husband and that she, Gladys, is doing considerable drinking. Blanche Davenport stated that Jack Davenport had not contacted Gladys since her return to St. Paul.

The [redacted] will contact Fitzgerald tomorrow [redacted]  
[redacted] She will then [redacted]



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immediately get in touch with Agent Hall so that Fitzgerald can be followed from the hotel, in order to determine the place where he is living, which it is felt will lead to the apprehension of at least some of the other members of the gang. Also she will determine definitely if Fitzgerald is leaving for Florida tomorrow, if so, necessary arrangements will be made to follow him.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson,  
Special Agent in Charge.


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cc: Division  
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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minn.

FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT: Jacksonville, Fla.	DATE WHEN MADE: 1-14-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1-11-35	REPORT MADE BY: ROSWELL E. SMITH
TITLE: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I. O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I. O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases I. O. #1232; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: William E. Brown, 1106 N. E. First Ave., Miami, Florida, disclaimed acquaintance with W. J. Harrison or with any other member of the Karpis-Barker gang, stating that if he did know the whereabouts of one of them he would not divulge it.			
REFERENCE: Letter from St. Louis Office, dated 12-6-34, and report of Special Agent R. L. Shivers, St. Louis, dated 12-20-34.			
DETAILS: William E. Brown, 1106 N. E. First Ave., Miami, Florida, is running the Tutweiller Apartments, at the above address with the aid of his wife, the former Dora Battey of Miami, Florida. Agent exhibited the photograph of William J. Harrison to Brown and questioned him at length about all members of the Karpis-Barker mob. Brown insisted that he did not know Harrison or any of the others and that if he did he would not disclose the whereabouts of any wanted man. At the time of the interview Brown was clean-shaven and stated that his teeth had been filed down preparatory to placing porcelain caps on them.			
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

11:20 A.M.

Mr. Ladd called in connection with the Bremer case and advised that this morning at about 9 or 9:30 a reporter from the American came in and said "What can you tell me about Doc Barker?", and Ladd advised him that he did not know anything about him, and a little later the reporter asked, "Where are you holding Doc?", and Ladd advised that we were not holding him. The reporter later asked for a copy of the identification order on Barker. Mr. Ladd advised he believed we should get Barker out of that district as soon as possible, if we can. I advised that I would call him back concerning this as soon as possible.

I advised Mr. Ladd further that as soon as the raid is conducted in Florida the news is going to get out; that we are going to have to file on these people right away and that we will have to have the hide-out before we can file; that as soon as Connelley gets the place located and gets a guard around it, Ladd will be advised in order that somebody can go out and locate the hide-out.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

12:10 P.M.

I called Mr. Ladd back relative to moving #5 to Detroit, advising that you desired this done tonight, after dark, by car, under suitable guard, and that I believed a convoy car should go along. I requested that he call Larson and make appropriate arrangements. Mr. Ladd advised that there is a gun room in the Detroit Office in which he believes #5 can be safely held, and that it is his recollection that the windows of this room are barred. I suggested that it might be well for Larson to meet them outside of the city some place and then take them in to the office. Mr. Ladd advised he would contact Mr. Larson and make all arrangements, keeping the Division advised of developments.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

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Mr. Connelley called and stated that Kate and Fred Barker were both killed; that none of our men were hurt. Mr. Connelley and another agent went up to the house and asked them to come out, and the old woman said, "Let go". The occupants of the house then "let go" at Connelley with the machine gun, the shots cutting all around him, about 50 of them. They shot about 25 at Agent White, who was behind a tree. The fight continued and Mr. Connelley went around to the front of the house and shot into the room. The shots of the occupants of the house, were toward houses about 500 yards away. Two machine guns were found in the room, a rifle was found downstairs, and the coroner was sent for before anything was touched. Connelley stated he had a tip on something at Miami; that he had a plane at Ocala and would send five men there, and would go himself as soon as things were cleared up at the house. I advised that Hanson and about six men were coming by plane to Jacksonville where they would stop to see if Connelley had plans for them. Mr. Connelley asked if I would call Jacksonville and have them proceed to Miami. I advised Stapleton is coming from Charlotte by plane with two men and will stop in Jacksonville for instruction. Mr. Connelley suggested they be held there until the situation is viewed. Mr. Hanson and his men will meet Brown at the airport in Miami. It is not known who shot Fred and Kate Barker.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 4:35 PM

I telephoned Mr. Ladd at Chicago and inquired if the guns received here in the Division which had been taken from Russell Gibson, had been processed for fingerprints. Mr. Ladd advised that Agent Chaffetz had gone over these guns for latent fingerprints and that it would not be necessary for them to be processed further.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm.

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Mr. Connelley called and stated that they have located a map which has been identified as Doc Barker's map, on which is marked Ocala, Florida, which is the largest point near Lake Weir, and on another map of Florida, Lake Weir is surrounded by a pencilled ring. He stated that from the description given them by Monte Carter, and how to get to this point, it appears to be via Highway 41, which would corroborate the story told before by him; that he had not seen the map prior thereto. The map was secured from the apartment rented by Doc Barker. He stated that Carter has given them a "line-up" on the kidnaping, as to who kidnaped him (Bremer), who held him, and who negotiated for the ransom money, those involved being Volney Davis, Campbell, the Barker Brothers, and Karpis, Carter's part being in connection with the hide-out, which was arranged by "Shotgun" Zeigler through Elmer Farmer; that the place is in Bensenville (?) at two houses, that one of the families there at the time of the kidnaping is still residing there; that the other person who could advise as to what occurred is now living in town. Mr. Connelley stated he had in mind sending to the point - himself, Brown, Campbell and Jones - (R.L.) to leave about 1:00 o'clock by chartered plane to Jacksonville, there to establish a headquarters, Jacksonville being the largest city near the point in question. They will arrive tonight about 7:00 o'clock and check the matter tomorrow morning; that the other men will leave on the 10 o'clock train tonight, the men being Wolfe, McDade, McKee, McLaughlin, Medala, Ryan, Sullivan, Melvin, J. C. White and Muzzey. Those left at the office will be LaFrance, Peterson, Durant, McIntyre, Walsh, Metcalfe, Chaffitz, Gillespie, McRae, Tillman and Winstead. Mr. Connelley stated they are still maintaining the observation of [redacted] who Volney Davis will undoubtedly contact. He stated Peterson will be left in charge, and that of course Durant and McIntyre will be there, both of whom are very substantial. Mr. Connelley stated they would take with them two rifles and a machine gun; the men going out tonight on the train will take three machine guns, two rifles, 2 shot guns, a gas gun, 3 vests, 2 sets of cuffs, flash lights and flood lights. I advised that our Thompson submachine guns were not much good against a bullet-proof vest. Mr. Connelley stated he had three Springfield rifles, and that the Jacksonville Office would undoubtedly have two rifles; that rifles will be the firearms needed; inasmuch as the ground in Florida is very level. Mr. Connelley advised he would wire when he reaches Jacksonville. Mr. Connelley stated that Mr. Nathan had suggested, in view of the new men left at the office, that about eight substantial agents be sent to the Office. I advised I would see what the Director desired to do concerning this matter. He stated that in connection with Peggy Doyle, the newspapers are endeavoring to ascertain her address, one of them suggesting that she had injured her arm in some manner, her arm being in a sling. He stated he understood one of the reporters had indicated to Mr. Nathan that they knew she had jumped from a window; that the Government was paying her a regular salary. Mr. Connelley seemed to think that if we told her to say absolutely nothing about the matter she would not do so.

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Respectfully,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

January 16, 1935

ELR:PD

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Special Agent W. S. McKinley called from the Charlotte Office to report that, as directed by a message from the Director this morning, Special Agent in Charge T. N. Stapleton and Special Agents F. J. Donaghue and C. A. Whitten left Charlotte by plane at 1:44 P.M. for Jacksonville. The plane is a chartered plane which was obtained at Winston-Salem from the Campbell Flying Service.

Respectfully,

*E. L. Richmond*  
E. L. Richmond.

*Handwritten: Frank B. Baker*

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Washington Field Office, Room 5745,  
Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218,  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219,  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1213,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232,  
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim -  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to verbal request of January 16, 1935, through Mr. Tamm, that immediate inquiry be made to ascertain all data pertaining to Harold Alderton, who is reported to be receiving \$27.00 per month compensation from the Veterans Administration and is allegedly from Bensonville, Illinois. Further, to obtain all data pertaining to one Bitty Bishop, who it is alleged received treatment for a paralytic condition during the summer of 1934 at the Edward Hines Hospital, Chicago, Illinois. Bishop is also reported to be from Bensonville, Illinois.

Special Agent Burruss has been informed by Mr. J. W. Barnes, Solicitor's Office, Veterans Administration, that there is no record in the Veterans Administration of either party. In making this search, Mr. Barnes made contact with several branches of the Veterans Administration, including the records of Spanish - American War veterans.

Mr. Barnes also made inquiry at the Adjutant General's Office of the War Department with the view of ascertaining if there is any service record of one Harold Alderton or one Bitty Bishop. The War Department has reported that no World War service record could be found pertaining to either.

The results of the inquiries made by Agent Burruss were verbally reported by me to Mr. Tamm's office, January 16, 1935.

Very truly yours,

CC:St.Paul  
CC:Mr.E.J.Connelly,  
Div.of Investigation,  
U.S.Dept.of Justice,  
P.O.Box 829,  
Chicago,Illinois.

J. M. KEITH,  
Special Agent in Charge.

JAN 19 1935

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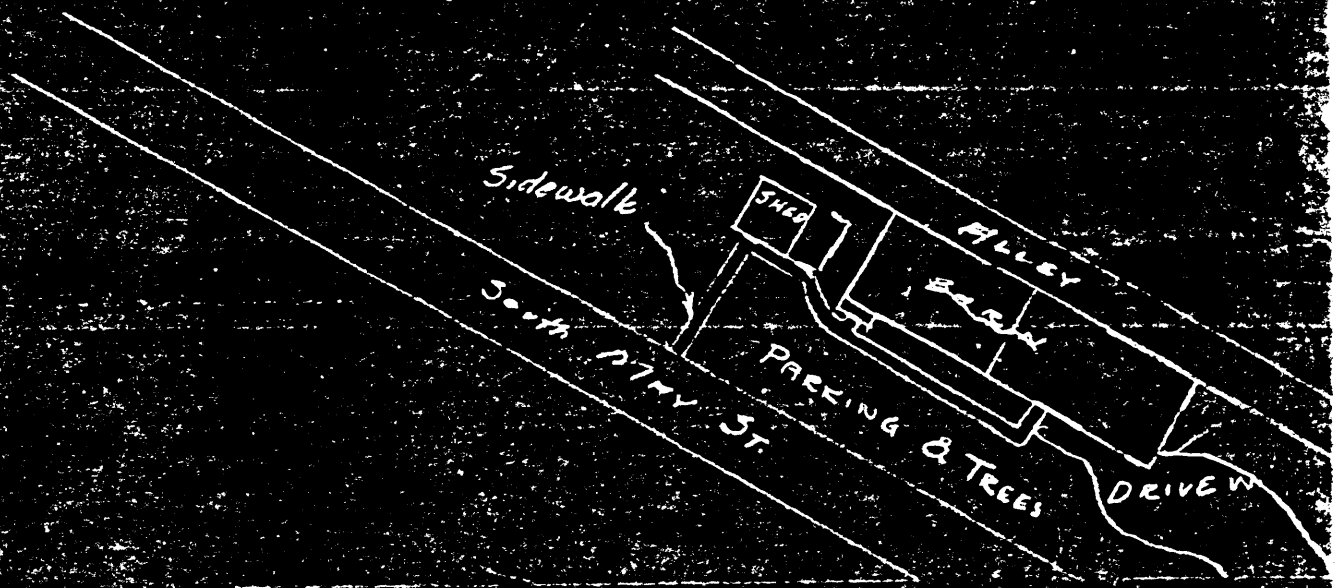
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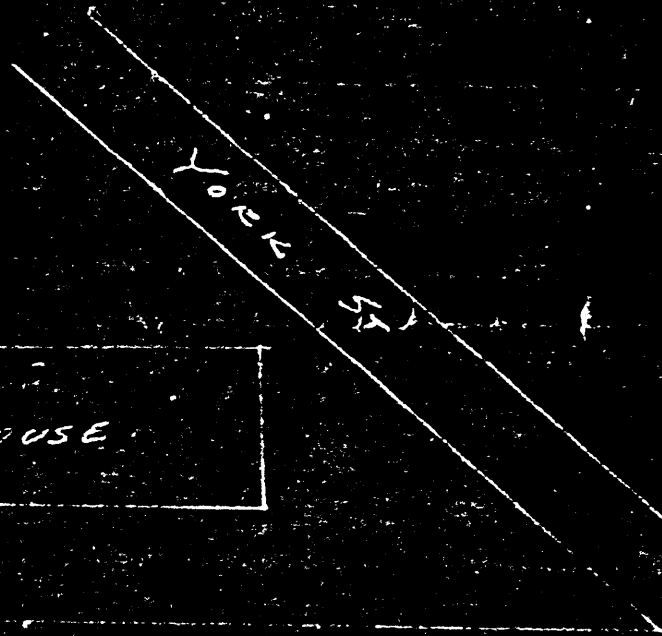




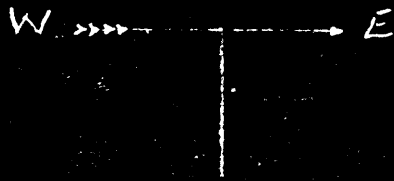
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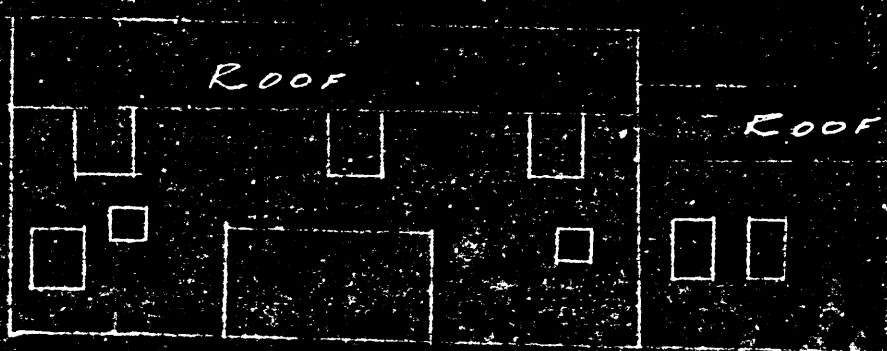
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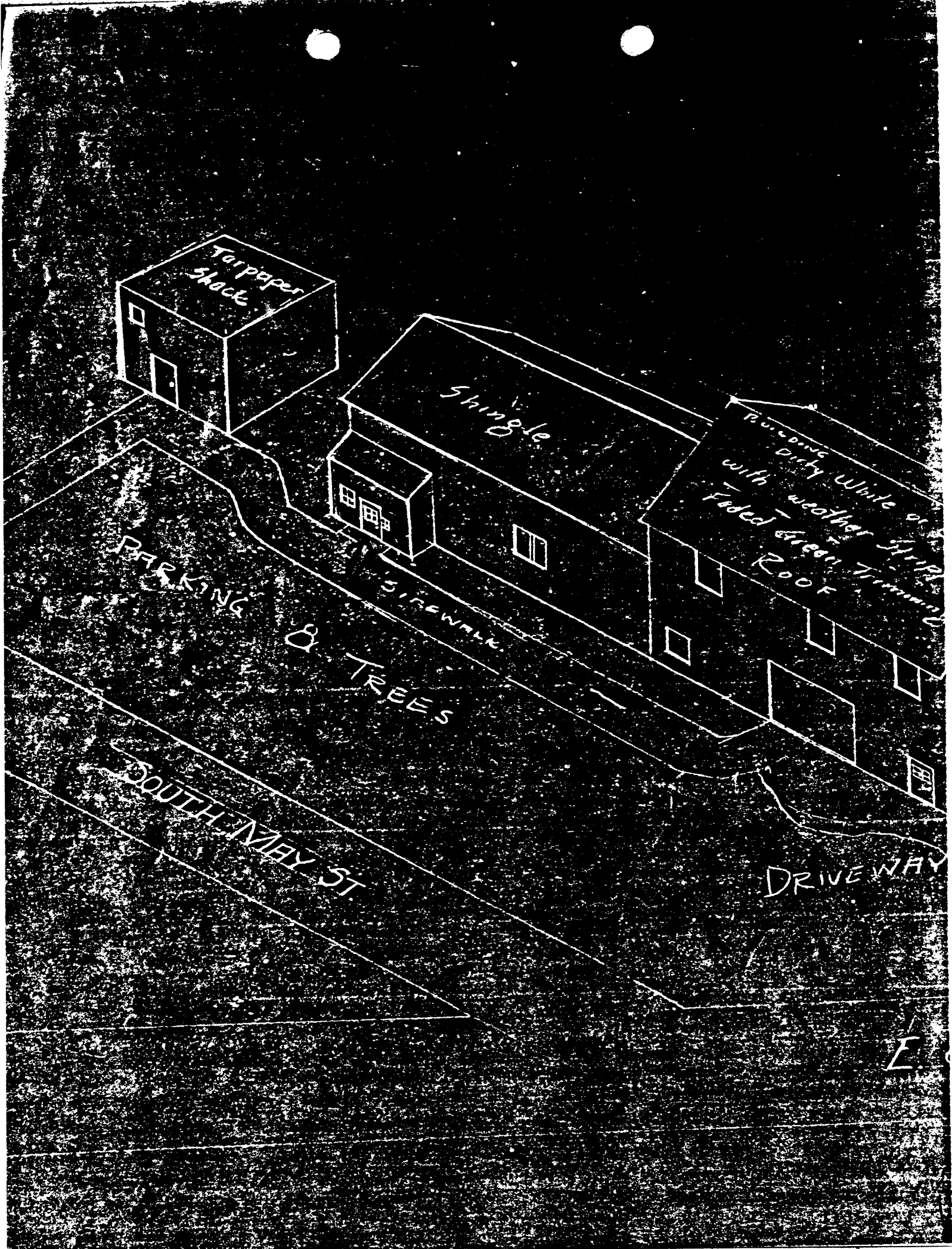


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Division of Investigation  
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Post Office Box 812,  
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Director,  
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Mr. Nathan.....
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Dear Sir:-

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, et al,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,  
Kidnaping

Please find enclosed herewith two photostatic copies marked Exhibit #1, made of a rough drawing of the hide-out used for the purpose of holding the victim in this case, while he was in the custody of subjects. As you have been previously advised, this hideout is located at Bensonville, Illinois, approximately twenty miles west, and six miles north of the loop in Chicago.

The dwelling in which Bremer was held appears to have been a barn at one time. The front section, as indicated in the drawing in Exhibit #1, is comprised of two stories, while the back portion is shedlike in appearance, and one story in height. The red arrow indicates the entrance into the single story structure; the room in which Bremer was kept is located to the right of the entrance, and approximately directly opposite the window shown in the single story structure, and on the opposite side; in other words, adjacent to the alley.

Also enclosed will be found two photostatic copies each marked Exhibit #2, which were made from a rough drawing showing the general contour of the vicinity of the house in which Bremer was kept a prisoner, and which is self-explanatory.

At the present time, Agents of the Chicago Division Office are in possession of the house in which Bremer was kept, and are taking photographs of the interior, as well as securing exact measurements of the interior and the location of the various rooms, entrances, windows, and other particular points of interest.

Very truly yours,

VCZ/dr  
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M. H. Purvis  
Special Agent in Charge

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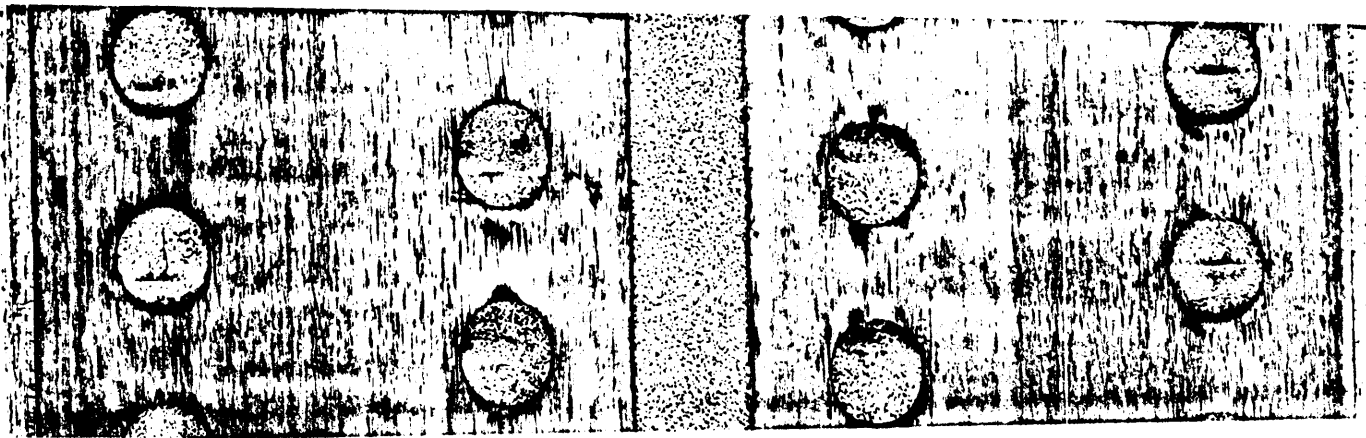
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Post Office Box 812,  
Chicago, Illinois  
January 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:-

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,  
Kidnaping.

I am returning herewith photograph  
of Edward George Bremer, along with two smaller photo-  
graphic reproductions.

Very truly yours,

DML/ir- Att.  
CC Division  
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H. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

JAN 13 1935

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

January 16, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

*Confidential*  
RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218, et al.,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,  
KIDNAPING. File 7-82

Information has been received by the Chicago Division Office that at the time Edward G. Bremer was held by the kidnapers at Bensenville, Illinois, they stored their car or cars at a garage owned by Biddy Bishop. This garage is supposed to be about a half a block from the hideout in question. At the present time Bishop is not residing in Bensenville, Illinois, and it is known that he is a War veteran; therefore, a check of the records of the Hines Memorial Hospital, Hines, Illinois, was made and the following information disclosed:

Edward R. Bishop was admitted to the Hines Hospital on April 7, 1934, and discharged after maximum benefit received on May 23, 1934. At the present time he is not receiving compensation and the records of the hospital reveal that he is suffering from paralysis. The records further reveal that at the time of his admission to the hospital he was residing at 191 South York Street, Bensenville, Illinois. However, the records further disclose a letter under date of July 19, 1934, from Mrs. Edward Ray Bishop, Prospect and Fifth Avenue, Tomahawk, Wisconsin. This letter reveals that at that time Bishop was residing with his relatives at this address. The letter further stated that they did not expect to stay at this address but a short time.

It is respectfully suggested that Edward R. Bishop, who in all probability is Biddy Bishop, be located and interviewed and exhibited photos of the Barker-Karpis gang and questioned for any information that he might have concerning their activities.

Very truly yours,

J. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Division  
ON SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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January 16, 1935.

Time: 11:20 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

I telephoned Agent in Charge Hanson at Birmingham and informed him of the fact that our Agents have been engaged in gun battle since early this morning with members of the Barker gang near Ocala, Florida. I remarked that I am concerned lest our Agents are in need of additional equipment and reinforcements. I stated that Mr. Lacour has already proceeded to Ocala by plane with additional equipment, but in the meantime, I am desirous of sending in more men in case the battle lasts until nightfall. Upon my inquiry, Mr. Hanson stated that he has seven Agents in his office. I instructed Mr. Hanson to proceed at once by plane to Jacksonville; to inform Mr. Alt as to the time of his arrival there, so that he, Mr. Alt, can meet the party at the airport with the latest information; that of course if the battle is over by that time it will not be necessary to continue on to Ocala, but if not, it will be necessary to go on to Ocala. I cautioned Mr. Hanson to take with him men who are properly qualified to handle such a situation, and to equip the Agents with high-powered Monitor rifles. Mr. Hanson stated that he has four such rifles. I also suggested that he take machine guns and the inflammable type of bullets.

Mr. Hanson stated that he would not be able to take more than six men. He will wire the Division as to the time of his departure.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
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January 16, 1935.

Time: 11:25 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

I telephoned Agent in Charge Stapleton at Charlotte and informed him of the gun battle now being participated in by our Agents and members of the Karpis-Barker gang at Lake Weir, Florida. I stated that Mr. Hanson is leaving Birmingham immediately with six men, for Jacksonville, and I wondered how the Charlotte Office is equipped with Agents to handle such a situation. Mr. Stapleton stated he felt there would be only two Agents in addition to himself who would be so qualified, one of whom is Agent Whitten.

I instructed him to charter a plane immediately and proceed to Jacksonville with these two Agents, making arrangements to use the same plane after reaching Jacksonville. I told him to advise Mr. Alt as to the time his plane will arrive at the Jacksonville airport so that Mr. Alt can meet him there with further instructions. I instructed Mr. Stapleton to take with him high-powered rifles, ammunition and particularly inflammable bullets. I also told him to take flares for the purpose of lighting up the surrounding territory at night.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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JAN 17 1935

January 16, 1935

Time - 3:18 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Colonel Gates telephoned with reference to the affair down in Florida and stated that the Associated Press insists that there were three people killed down there. I told him that Fred Barker and his Mother were the only people killed. The Colonel inquired if we had any pictures of these people. I told him that I had sent pictures of these people around to Mr. Suydam this morning. I further informed Colonel Gates that the battle lasted for five hours, beginning around 7:00 A.M., and lasting until about noon; that the only occupants of the house, Fred Barker and his Mother, were killed; that there was no one captured.

I told the Colonel that I did not believe there would be any further releases on the affair today.

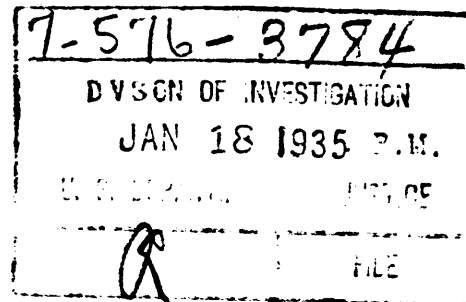
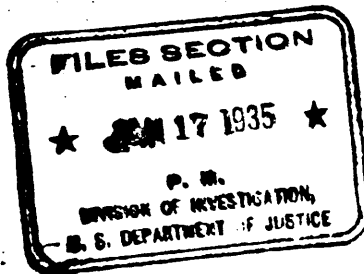
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 12, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Nathan.....
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I called Mr. Nathan in connection with the Bremer case and advised that you could not see why eight more Agents were needed out there; that the records show there will be still 37 men there after the group go out with Connelley. Mr. Nathan stated that he believed they were needed in connection with the guard duty and that a number of men are tied up on spots. I asked that he secure and advise me of the exact number of men so engaged.

I also advised that you were concerned about the treatment the individuals in custody are receiving out there; that you would like the word to get through the underworld that when a fellow gets into the hands of the Department of Justice it is "just too bad" for him. He advised that #5 had not been saying anything.

I asked whether he had been able to observe any particular qualifications in this connection on the part of any of the newer Agents. He stated he had not had a chance to observe them as yet; that Brown and McKee, although not new Agents, had impressed him very favorably.

Mr. Nathan called me back to advise of the number of Agents on guard duty and those tied up on spots. He stated there were 14 on guard duty, 6 on plants, one processing fingerprints, one at the Piquett trial, and 4 on the road, which leaves only eleven available for general work or anything else. I advised that you had stated no more men would be sent in for the time being.

Mr. Nathan stated he would be leaving Chicago on Monday night for Oklahoma City, and that he would be able to get back in Chicago by Thursday afternoon.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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*Mr. Tamm*

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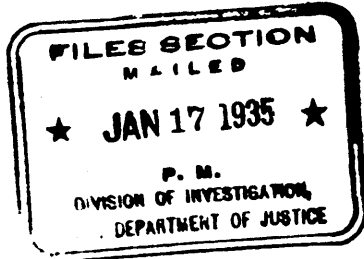
Mr. Suydam telephoned with further reference to the affair down in Florida. I told him that only Fred Barker and his Mother were killed; that Alvin Karpis was not at the hideout at the time of the raid. Mr. Suydam inquired as to getting pictures of the Karpis-Barker gang for publication. I told him that I did not think it wise, due to certain existing circumstances, to have photographs of this gang published; the existing circumstances being that we have No. 5 in custody.

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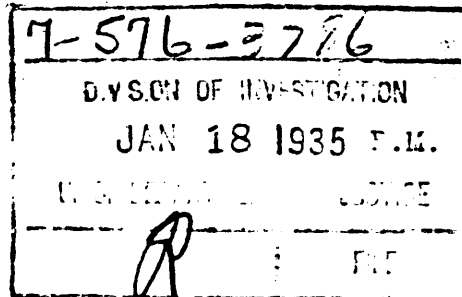
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January 16, 1935

Time - 1:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Suydam telephoned with regard to the affair down in Florida and wanted to know if our Agents were assisted by the local officers in this raid. I told him that while the local officers assisted in the blocking of the highways, roads, etc., the actual gun battle was carried on by our Agents only.

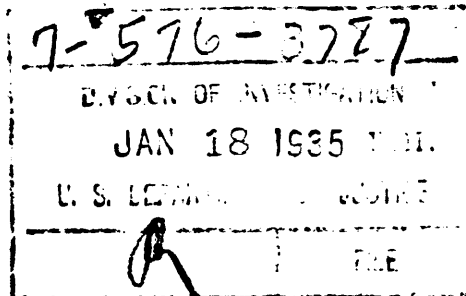
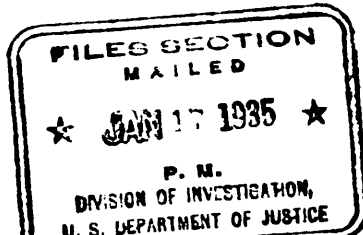
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Time - 4:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Suydam telephoned with regard to the requests by the newspaper men that they be given photographs of the Barkers and Karpis for publication. He wanted my view as to giving them out. I told him that in view of the fact that we have No. 5 in custody, it would prove rather embarrassing to the investigation to publish all over the U. S. that we were hunting for this man when as a matter of fact we already have him in custody. However, it was agreed that I would send around copies of the Identification Orders issued on these persons, and Mr. Suydam could distribute them without comment to the press if he desired.

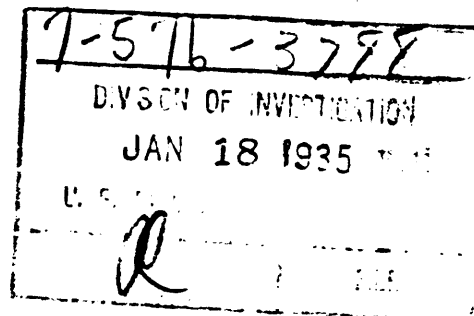
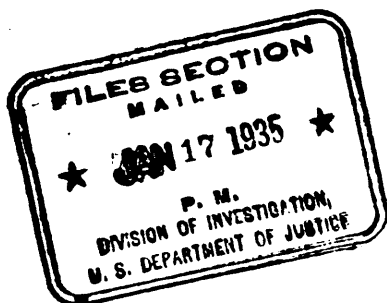
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Time - 4:40 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Suydam telephoned and stated that one of the newspaper men came to him for verification of a story to the effect that Doc Barker was captured at the same time that Gibson was killed in Chicago. I told him that it was my belief that they were only guessing on that matter, for there is no way they could get facts to substantiate such an assertion.

Mr. Suydam stated that he has also had queries as to how Fred Barker was connected with the Bremer kidnaping. I told him that Fred Barker was one of the kidnapers; that it was my opinion that we should not disclose the evidence in our possession at this time, because there are other kidnapers involved who are not as yet in custody.

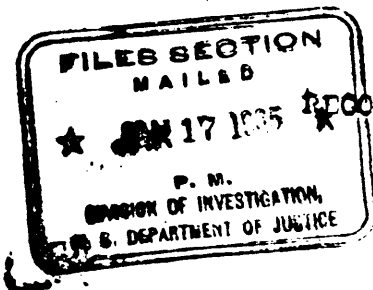
Mr. Suydam further stated that he has had a query as to whether Harry "Doc" Campbell is connected with this case. I told him that I did not think we should at this time disclose the names of the other parties involved in this case for the reason that we are looking for them, and such publicity would only serve to put them on guard.

Very truly yours,

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January 16, 1935

Time - 6:32 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

I telephoned Mr. Stanley and told him that after talking with both Chicago and Mr. Connelley in Florida, it was my opinion that the story relative to the capture of Doc Barker could be released sometime tomorrow; that, however, it was desired that we be able to get the man back into Chicago before the story is broken, after which it was my desire that immediate proceedings be initiated to indict all members of the Barker-Karpis gang, including the members killed today.

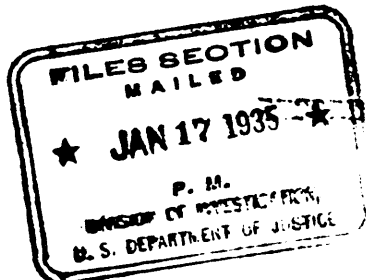
I told Mr. Stanley that it was my desire that he get in touch with the United States Attorney at St. Paul and inform him that tomorrow morning representatives of this Division from Chicago would be there to present to him evidence for an indictment against the entire gang; that although there is no grand jury in session at the present time, the United States Attorney would have to call one at once; that it is very important that this indictment be returned immediately. If this indictment is returned at once, when we arraign Doc Barker, we will be in a position to charge him with a complaint followed by an indictment.

Very truly yours,

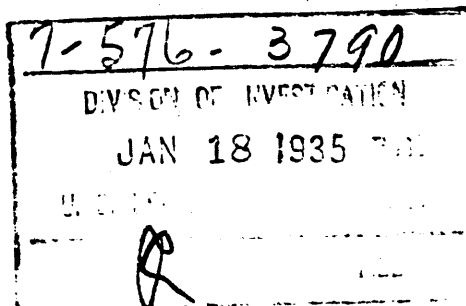
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January 17, 1935.

Time-10:02 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Francis Connor, reference was made to the gun battle in Florida between Federal Agents and members of the Karpis-Barker gang and the resultant killing of "Ma" Barker and her son Fred. Mr. Connor stated that both he and Rex Collier had been considering writing a story about the battle and the lives of the Barkers, but had thought it over and had given up the idea. I remarked that they were at liberty to write the story from what information they had at hand, but that the Division would, of course, not give out anything.

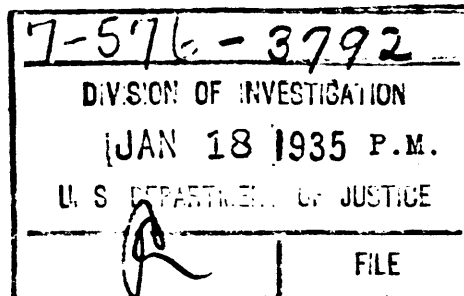
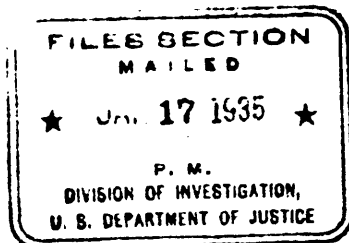
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 2:00 PM


Mr. Suydam telephoned and inquired if the Division could furnish him with photographs of Alvin Karpis and Arthur Barker.

I advised Mr. Suydam that I did not know whether or not we had any photographs on these two individuals but that I would check up on it and advise him in the premises.

Respectfully,

  
E.A. Tamm

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U. S. Department of Justice 4:20 P.M.  
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January 16, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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I called Mr. Alt and advised that the newspaper stories are rather insistent that there were three people in the house at Lake Weir, Florida. He replied that his information was that there were only two; that Lacour had just returned from Ocala and had given him this information. The coroner's jury has adjourned until tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, and has made no report.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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Time: 11:37 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Alt telephoned from Jacksonville and stated he had learned through telephonic inquiry at Ocala that the local authorities were proceeding to Lake Weir, the scene of the shooting, and that the Sheriff was having the road blocked; that most of the firing was coming from the outside of the house, there being little from the inside.

Mr. Alt further advised that Mr. Lacour's plane will be ready to leave Jacksonville for Ocala in fifteen minutes; that Mr. Lacour is equipped with 2 Monitors, another rifle and a thousand rounds of ammunition. I asked if he also was equipped with the inflammable bullets. However, Mr. Alt understood that Mr. Connelley did not want bullets of this type.

I stated that Mr. Hanson is leaving Birmingham by chartered plane with six Agents and Mr. Stapleton is also proceeding to Jacksonville with Agents.

I instructed Mr. Alt to have Mr. Lacour establish contact with him immediately upon arrival at Ocala, so that Mr. Hanson and Mr. Stapleton can be given the latest information upon arrival at Jacksonville.

Mr. Alt understood that nobody had been injured. I asked him to verify this, because of course this is my greatest concern. I also instructed that Mr. Lacour inform Mr. Connelley of the arrival of the reinforcements.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
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January 16, 1935.

Time: 10:50 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

*Handwritten: Fred Barker*

I telephoned Mr. Carusi to inform him that fifteen of our Agents have been engaged in a gun battle with members of the Karpis-Barker gang since early this morning, in the lake region in the central part of Florida, the Agents having surrounded a house in which members of the gang were located; that raids had been made in other parts of the country, simultaneously, last night. I stated that our Jacksonville Office has received inquiries from the Associated Press; that I have instructed that no comment be made inasmuch as we have received no details; and that in the event inquiries are made at Washington I would prefer that we also make no comment here.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
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January 16, 1935.

Time: 11:00 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Henry Suydan telephoned to advise of an Associated Press report received from a place 100 miles southwest of Jacksonville, to the effect that a group of gangsters had barricaded themselves in a deserted house, and that fifteen Federal Agents are engaged in a gun battle with them. I informed Mr. Suydan that our Agents have been engaged in such a gun battle since day-break this morning, but we can make no comment until we ascertain the details.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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January 17, 1935.

Time-10:35 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Colonel Gates telephoned and advised that he had approached Mr. Henry Suydam in regard to granting permission for me to interview Mr. Fred Othman of the United Press Association relative to "Ma" Barker and Fred Barker, and that Mr. Suydam said that it would be all right.

I stated that I would be glad to see Mr. Othman.

Time-10:55 A.M.

I telephoned Mr. Henry Suydam and verified Colonel Gates' statement in regard to the above interview.

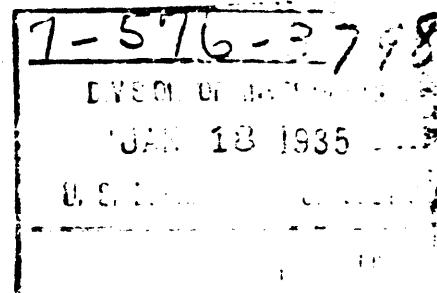
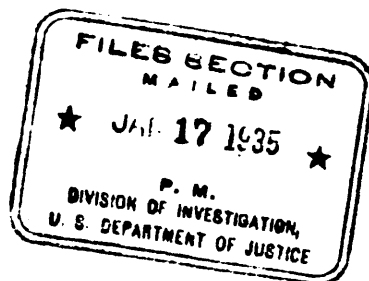
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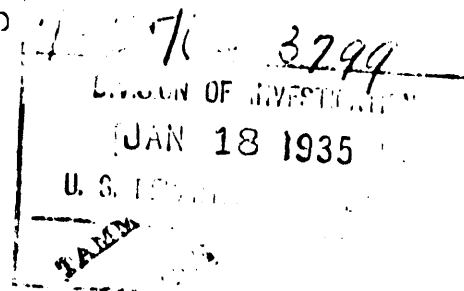
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I called Mr. Connelley at Jacksonville and told him that you would defer to his judgment in this situation and that if he thought the raids in Illinois and Florida should be conducted simultaneously, you would leave it to his discretion; that you suggested, however, that he get in touch with Mr. Ladd at Chicago and issue specific instructions as to just what steps he desired taken in that district, including the exact hour upon which the raid should be conducted there. Mr. Connelley stated that he would immediately call Chicago; that he felt that we should examine the supposed hideout at Bensenville, Illinois and then leave someone there to guard it until we could determine what steps were to be taken.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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January 17, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Mr. Ladd and advised arrangements should be made to take No. 5 from Chicago to St. Paul as soon as possible; that arrangements should also be made to secure an apartment, where #5 should be held. He advised he would ascertain what transportation could be utilized.

He subsequently called and stated the train service is very poor until tonight; that the flying company advises the weather is good; that they have a 6-passenger plane which can be secured any time. I advised it was desired that if possible #5 be in St. Paul by 3 o'clock. He advised he would be sent by plane immediately; that it was a 4½ or 5 hours trip by plane; that they would probably arrive in St. Paul between four and 5 o'clock, our time. He advised he had called Mr. Coulter and he believes he has an apartment in mind which will be satisfactory.

Respectfully,

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EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 8:45 PM

*Bremer Case*

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I telephoned Mr. Ladd at Chicago and advised him that you had received the impression that the Chicago office was not making very vigorous efforts to make the subject, who is being held there, talk.

Mr. Ladd assured me that he would personally see that the subject was given the proper attention and that he would be vigorously questioned.

I then inquired as to the hideout. Mr. Ladd advised that they have the place mentioned by Monty Carter located; that it is an old barn located about twenty miles from the office; that the surrounding country and sounds answer the description given by the victim, the only discrepancy being that the steps to the above building lead up while the victim stated that the steps to the building where he was kept led down; that there is a man living in the place, but it is not believed that he is the man who was there while the victim was kept there as they have information that that individual has since moved to another part of the town. Mr. Ladd stated that further activity with regard to the hideout was being held up pending the outcome of the lead down in Florida as it was feared that if anything was done in this connection it might ruin that lead.

Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

12:05 P.M.

Mr. Keith called in connection with the Bremer case to advise that he had a partial report on Harold Allerton and Bitty Bishop. The report on each is the same - no record under those names. The Veterans Administration says that they are not paying \$27 a month to any man named Harold Allerton of Bensenville, Illinois. The record division of the War Department has no record of any such man having ever been in the service, neither is there any record on Bitty Bishop. Mr. Keith stated he was having a check to see whether these individuals were veterans of the Spanish-American war.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

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Mr. Connelley telephoned from Jacksonville and advised me that he was making arrangements to "break" the case down there; that the situation is fairly good from a physical standpoint, the house in question is in the middle of a group of four houses and stands about 150 yards from the highway, being about halfway between the highway and the lake. The house on one side of the house in question is empty and on the other side it will be necessary to have the occupants leave. Mr. Connelley advised that the ground was quite level and that there was no natural protection whatever around the house; that there was a motor boat located tied to a pier in front of the house and this angle could be nicely covered. Mr. Connelley also stated that they had plenty of equipment, including gas equipment.

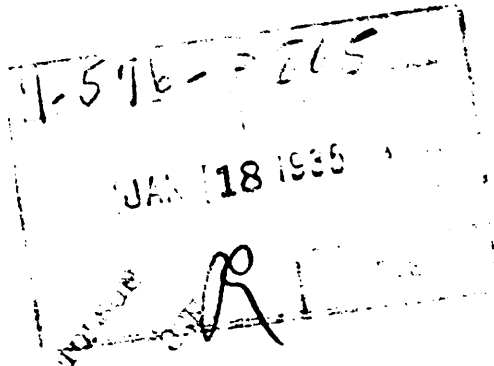
I advised Mr. Connelley of the information conveyed to the Division relative to the inquiry of the Chicago American as to subject Number Five and of the fact that this subject was being moved this evening into Detroit.

Mr. Connelley stated that he was desirous of talking with Mr. Ladd relative to several persons whom he wanted taken into custody. I advised Mr. Connelley that I would talk with you regarding the proposed raid and would call Mr. Connelley back.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

EAT:TAM

January 14, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Connelley at Chicago on Friday, I instructed Mr. Connelley to make vigorous physical efforts to obtain from "Doc" Barker a complete statement concerning the Bremer Case. I advised Mr. Connelley that the Division's impression was that the men assigned to the Chicago Office had a pre-conceived idea that Barker would not talk and accordingly would not attempt to secure a statement with the vigor which should be displayed.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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Kindly be informed that Mr. Nathan telephoned from the Chicago Office this morning with further reference to the Karpis-Barker case and stated that Gibson, of course, had been killed and that the individual that he had reported to you during the night as Willie Harrison was not in fact this individual; that his true name is Bryon Bolton, alias Monty Carter, a minor member of the Karpis-Barker gang and is supposed or alleged to have received his cut of the Bremer ransom money in making arrangements for the hideout; that they also have in custody three women. Mr. Nathan stated that the press realizes that they have some women in custody but do not know their identity; that the true identity of these women is as follows:

Clara Gibson - wife of the deceased Gibson.  
Mildred Kuhlman  
Ruth Heidt.

Mr. Nathan stated that in all probability Mildred Kuhlman was living with Doc Barker and that Ruth Heidt, according to her statement, alleges that she was visiting the other two women. However Mr. Nathan believes that possibly she was the girl friend of Bryon Bolton, alias Monty Carter.

He further stated that the Crime Conference with regard to the Bremer case which was scheduled to be held at Chicago today will not go forward this morning in view of the fact that most of the men were up all night and that arrangements have been made for the Agents reporting to attend this conference to find them plenty to do until the conference starts; that it is entirely probable the conference will be held this afternoon. If not, it will go forward without any question tomorrow.

Concerning the Allen Cressler Bomberger kidnaping case, Mr. Nathan stated that this case had been entirely washed out in view of the fact that the victim 'phoned the Chicago police at 3:30 A.M. this morning stating that he had been released near the Great Northern Hotel in Chicago and arrangements were made for Agents of the Chicago Office to have him immediately brought to the Chicago Office. Mr. Nathan states he has conferred with the victim and does not believe his story. He claims he was kidnaped, taken to Indianapolis, brought to Chicago and released without any ransom being paid.

Mr. Nathan states that under a little pressure he believes the true story of this case could be ascertained, but that he does not believe it would be advisable in view of the prominence of the victim's parents and that he is more convinced than ever at this time that there was actually no kidnaping involved in the case at all. He stated that the parents of the subject were on their way to the Chicago Office in order to obtain custody of the victim and that he will be released shortly; that he furnished several leads which will be checked thoroughly.

Mr. Nathan stated that he will hold shortly another session with the press and furnish them with information concerning Bryon Bolton, alias Monty Carter, but will give no information to the press relative to the women in custody; that, of course, no information would be given out relative to the apprehension of Karpis.

He stated that a Coroner's inquest would be held this morning relative to the shooting of Gibson and arrangements have been made for Agent Brown to attend, in view of the fact that Brown was at the scene during the shooting; is friendly with the investigator for the Coroner, and will tell the facts as they actually occurred; that is, that Gibson came out of the house armed and that five or six Agents fired - the identity of the person or persons that actually hit Gibson, of course, being unknown.

Mr. Nathan further stated that everything was well under control and that he would communicate with you later on in the day.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

EAT:CSH

January 15, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

2:10 P.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Connelley called in connection with the Bremer case. I advised him concerning the inquiries received in Chicago from a newspaper reporter as to whether we had #5 in custody, which was, of course, denied, but that the reporter requested a copy of the identification order. I advised him that #5 was being taken to Detroit tonight in order that if the publicity does break we can beat a writ.

I advised that you were afraid if Connelley went ahead with his plans there, there would be publicity, if there was any shooting, and we would, of course, have to take the people before the Commissioner then and we won't have the hide-out; that, if it possibly could be done, you wanted to work out a plan so that when Connelley is about ready to strike down there they could go out in Chicago and see if they have the right place, so that if we have to file on these people when we do get them we will have that location. Mr. Connelley stated that he was planning to make the raid at six o'clock tomorrow morning; that he was satisfied that he had seen Fred Barker and Kate Barker; that they had just found the place at about 11 o'clock; that there is another fellow there, probably Ray or Campbell; that there are at least two women there, one of whom may be Winona. Connelley suggested that his idea would be for the Chicago Office to take the hide-out at the same time the raid is conducted, which would be 5 o'clock <sup>there</sup> their time, so that there will be no way for publicity to get down and spoil the raid. I advised that you were afraid, if there was publicity down there because of any shooting, and we did have to arraign these people right away, we would not have any Federal jurisdiction. Connelley stated that we have the indictment, which I advised will not "hold water". I advised Mr. Connelley that I would give him further instructions later in the afternoon, through Mr. Alt.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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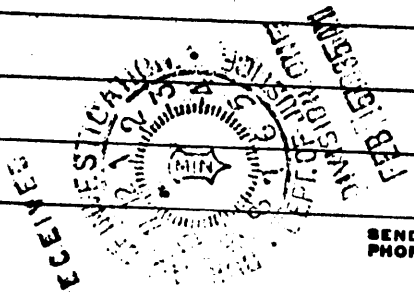
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Place PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

BREXID HARRY SATYER IDENTIFIED BEING HERE ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO DRIVING

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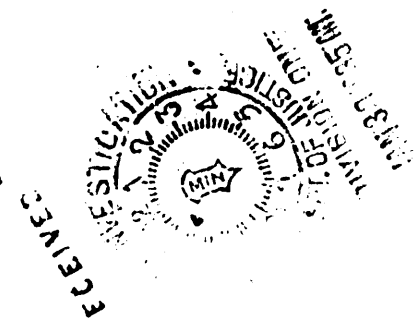
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Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:HAM.

January 30, 1935

Mrs. E. A. Revals  
Box 843  
Ocala, Florida

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases I.O. 1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases (deceased)  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases -  
I.O. 1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter  
of January 28, 1935.

Please be advised that the only photographs that this Division is interested in are the ones which were ordered taken by Mr. E. J. Connelley, when he was in your city recently. The photographs made from the plates which were exposed at Mr. Connelley's instructions or orders should not be offered for sale.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt  
Special Agent in Charge.

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BC Director  
E. J. Connelley  
Saint Paul

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION	
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Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida

January 30, 1935

RAA:HAM.

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

RE: Alvin Karpis with aliases - I.O. 1218  
Arthur R. Barker with aliases I.O. 1219  
Russell Gibson with aliases (deceased)  
Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases -  
I.O. 1252; et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Please be advised that during the afternoon of January 29, 1935, Chief Deputy United States Marshal Leo Mack called at the Jacksonville Office and exhibited to me a letter from George F. Sullivan, United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota, dated at Saint Paul on January 25, 1935, enclosing original and copy of a subpoena for Coroner L. E. Futch, Marion County, Ocala, Florida, for his appearance at Saint Paul on April 2, 1935, at ten A.M. This subpoena requires L. E. Futch to appear in Federal Court at Saint Paul and bring with him and produce the jewelry, which I forwarded you on January 23, 1935, by Railway Express Agency, which is itemized in my letter to you of January 26, 1935.

It will be appreciated if you will immediately contact the United States Attorney at Saint Paul, advising the Jacksonville Office with reference to Coroner Futch's appearance at Saint Paul on April 2, 1935, with the jewelry aforementioned. The United States Marshal, here, will withhold service of this subpoena until I receive a reply to this communication.

Very truly yours,

7-24  
CC Director  
Chicago  
E. J. Connelley  
AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

R. A. Alt  
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Date January 11, 1935.

**Dear Sir:**

Following are the dispositions of cases on which fingerprints have been mailed to the Division of Investigation:

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Very truly yours,

Jay S. Newman  
Special Agent in Charge.  
(Official Title)

(For instructions see reverse side)

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This form to be submitted to the Division of Investigation to report dispositions of cases in which prints have been forwarded previously. Dispositions include such information as advice relative to sentences imposed, fines, acquittals, dismissals, etc. Several cases may be listed on each sheet.

Where the Division file number is available it should be used.

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RAA:MTS

Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

January 31, 1935.

Mr. Joseph H. Wallis,  
District Director,  
Immigration and Naturalization,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.#1218,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.  
#1232; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Mr. Wallis:-

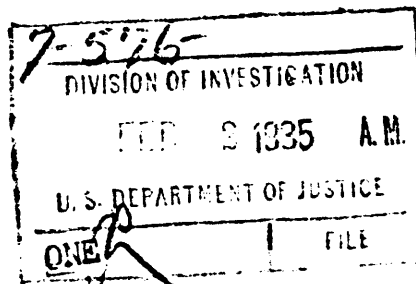
It will be appreciated if you will notify all your  
Officers to be on the look out for Harry Sawyer, and William J.  
Harrison. These two men might possibly arrive in this country  
from Havana. Their apprehension is anxiously desired.

It will be further appreciated if, when assigning this  
matter to your Officers, you will caution them that there should  
be no publicity.

Descriptions of these two wanted persons are as follows:

Name	HARRY SAWYER, aliases: "Dutch" Sawyer, Harry Sandevich, Harry Sandlovich, Harry Sandovich, Harry J. Porche, Frank James and Jew Harry.
Age	45 years
Height	5' 10"
Weight	190 lbs.
Hair	Brown, curly
Eyes	Light brown
Complexion	Dark
Scars	Left forefinger smashed.

Name	William J. Harrison, alias Willie Harrison
Age	33 (1933)
Height	5' 6"
Weight	155 lbs.
Build	Medium
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Fair





To Mr. Wallis

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Occupation  
Nationality  
Fingerprints  
Classification

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As always your co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated. With expressions of best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Division ✓

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Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:PAL

January 28, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, (Deceased)  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases,  
I.O. 1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
Victim  
KIDNAPING

Please be advised that on January 27 and 28, 1935,  
there were forwarded to you by Air Mail, Special Delivery,  
all of the memoranda dictated by agents covering their acti-  
vities at Oklawaha, Florida, and vicinity.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

Jax #7-24

cc - Division ✓

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January 17, 1935.

Mr. R. D. Brown,  
Alcazar Hotel,  
Miami, Florida.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,  
I. O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER  
with aliases, I. O. #1219;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases,  
I. O. #1232, et al - EDWARD G.  
BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your telegraphic request, there are trans-  
mitted herewith six copies of the photograph of Wynona Burdette,  
front view and profile, and also six copies of the full length  
photograph of this same individual.

There are also transmitted herewith two photographic  
copies of the signatures of Harry Campbell and other members of  
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is being transmitted to the offices indicated below.

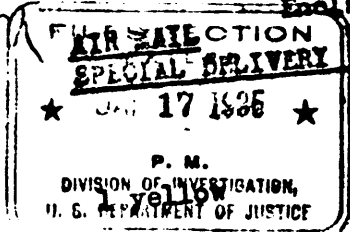
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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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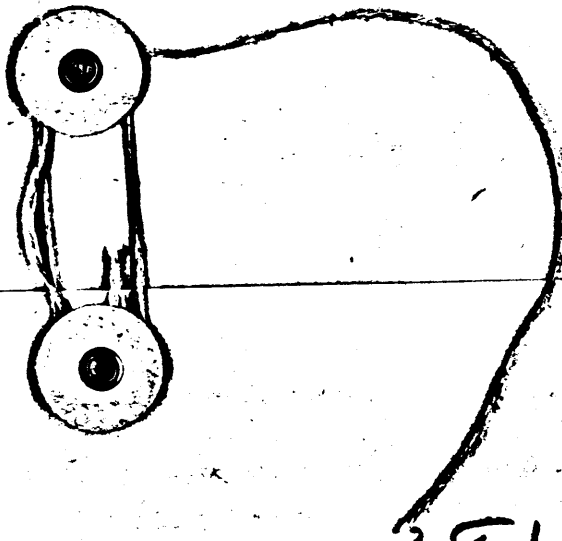
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Jackson-m'n-Winfield  
2831-131st Toledo, O.  
Sept. 7/34 Mrs. Person  
22 5-5-1/4 102 slender  
Blk m. blue Dark  
Charlottesville, N.C.  
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Prisoner's signature  
*Volney Davis*  
 THIS CARD  
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 Prisoner's  
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 Prisoner's Signature

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*Arthur Barker*  
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*Harry Campbell*  
 Prisoner's Signature  
*Harry Campbell*  
*Harry Campbell*  
 Four Fingers Taken Simultaneously

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

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EAT:TAM

January 17, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
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Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Coulter called and stated he had just conferred with United States Attorney Sullivan and his assistant concerning the Bremer case. The United States Attorney has agreed that he can get a Grand Jury working by Monday, January 21st and that he will return indictments in the case. The names of the 26 persons were given to him and after reviewing the evidence for some time he concluded that it was an impossibility to return an indictment against a dead person; that he had had several cases of this kind; that he did not see how he could indict the four who are dead, although he would give the matter further consideration. He stated in the event these people are named in the indictment, it will be set out just what each of them did; but that he will decline to indict the deceased persons unless the Department instructs him to do so. Those persons who the United States Attorney will indict are: Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. Barker, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell, Elmer Farmer, Harold Alderton, William Weaver, Harry Sawyer, William Harrison, Ollie Berg, Joseph P. Moran, "Whitie" (full name not known), John Joseph McLaughlin, William E. Vidler, Phillip J. Delaney, John Doe, Richard Roe, Byron Bolton, Jimmie Williams, Jesse Doyle, Edna Murray, Myrtle Eaton. Mr. Coulter stated the United States Attorney has indicated that he will return two indictments - the substantive charges being against Karpis, Barker, Davis, Campbell, Farmer, Alderton, Weaver, Sawyer, John Doe and Richard Roe. I asked what was meant by John Doe and Richard Roe, and he replied these were two men who had just been discovered and apparently acted as guards at the hideout. Their identity is unknown at present, but Mr. McIntyre has a description of these men. A conspiracy charge will be named in the indictment against the 22 named above; a substantive charge will be entered against the 10 named above, in the second indictment. "Whitie" is an associate of John Doe and Richard Roe, and nothing is known concerning them - Jesse Doyle is an associate of these men and nothing is known concerning him, except that he is also an associate. Sullivan suggested that McIntyre write a summary after each name, setting out the evidence against them, and the part taken by them. I advised this should be done immediately.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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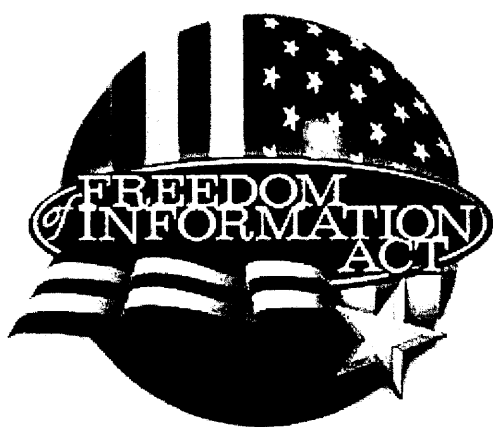


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EAT:CSH

January 16, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

11:45 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
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Chief Clerk.....
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Miss Gandy.....

I called Mr. Alt in connection with the Bremer case. He advised that you had told him about Hanson, Stapleton and another Agent coming down there and stated that he is going to meet them at Jacksonville and give them additional instructions. He advised that you had mentioned the advisability of taking tracer ammunition with them, but that Connelley did not seem to think they wanted it. Alt stated he was sending additional tracer ammunition, and I suggested that he send additional gas and some field lights in the event this thing goes on into the night. Alt stated that the Chief of Police had advised him that from his information there had been no shooting from within but that the boys have been shooting from without and the place is completely barricaded and the Sheriff is out there with a couple of deputies. I requested that some sort of contact be made with the Agents at the place so that they will recognize the additional men when they arrive, and Alt stated this would be done, and that he would keep me advised of developments.

Respectfully,

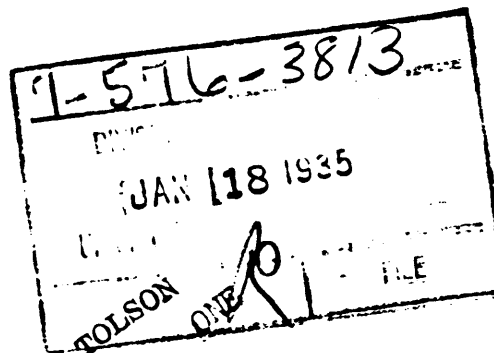


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Time - 4:55 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Suydam telephoned and stated that it had been indicated that there was about \$10,000 found in the possession of Mrs. Barker at the time she was killed. I told him that this was true; that the sum of money found in the possession of Fred Barker and Mrs. Barker was somewhat in excess of \$10,000, and it was all right to state this to the press.

Mr. Suydam further stated that the Attorney General had handled the press conference in a very good manner; that the story had been broken about Des Barker, but pertinent details as to his present whereabouts, etc., were not divulged to the press.

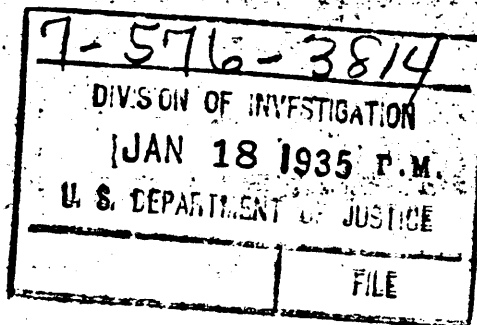
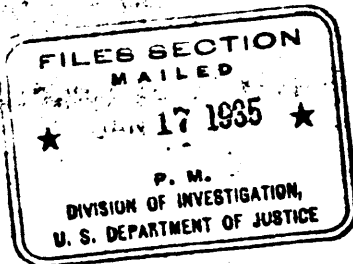
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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MEMORANDUM

Fred Barker is a member of the notorious family of criminals and is reputed to be the leader of the so-called Barker-Karpis gang. He is a brother of Arthur R. Barker, who is named in the indictment returned at St. Paul, Minnesota by the Federal Grand Jury on May 4, 1934, charged, together with several others, with violating the Federal Kidnaping Statute dated June 22, 1932, arising out of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934. Fred Barker was also one of the kidnapers of Bremer. The elder brother of the Barkers, Herman Barker, was a member of the notorious Kline-Inman-Terrill gang of outlaws who operated throughout the Middle West during the late twenties. Herman Barker committed suicide at Wichita, Kansas, on August 29, 1927, during a gun battle with police rather than submit to arrest. A third brother, Lloyd Barker, is presently serving a sentence at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, charged with assaulting a mail custodian. The mother of the Barker brothers, known as "Kate" or "Mother" Barker, travelled with them and is reported to have been a participant in their nefarious crimes.

According to the records of the Identification Unit of the Division of Investigation Fred Barker has an extensive criminal record.

He was first arrested by the Police Department, Miami, Oklahoma, September 5, 1922 as Fred Barker, alias Gus Barker, on a charge of investigation, and was released.

On October 5, 1922 he was next arrested by the Police Department, Tulsa, Oklahoma, as Fred Barker, #3204 on a charge of vagrancy, and sentenced to thirty days in the City Jail.

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As Fred Barker, #4079, he was received by the State Reformatory, Granite, Oklahoma, June 28, 1923; crime, conjoint robbery; sentence, 5 years.

On December 19, 1925 he was arrested by the Police Department, Okmulgee, Oklahoma, as J. Darrows, #293, charge, investigation - bank robbery; released December 23, 1925.

The Police Department at Little Rock, Arkansas, on May 28, 1926 arrested him as Fred Barker alias T. B. O'Lang, #3575, on charges of being a fugitive from justice. He was immediately released to the Fort Smith, Arkansas, authorities under bond of \$1,000, on charges of burglary and grand larceny. This bond was later forfeited.

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The Police Department at Ponca City, Oklahoma, July 25, 1926 arrested Barker as F. G. Ward on a burglary charge and delivered him to the Police Department at Winfield, Kansas.

On November 8, 1926, as Ted Murphy, he was tried and convicted by the Winfield, Kansas, authorities on charges of burglary and larceny and sentenced to serve from 5 to 10 years in the State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, where he was received as Fred Barker, alias Ted Murray, #9856, on March 12, 1927.

He was arrested by the Police Department at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on June 10, 1931 as Fred Barker, #5204, charged with investigation - burglary and car theft. He was delivered to the Sheriff's Office at Claremore, Oklahoma, on July 15, 1931, charged with burglary. He escaped from the County Jail, Claremore, Oklahoma, August 16, 1931 and has been a fugitive from justice since that date.

Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis are wanted by the authorities at West Plains, Missouri, where on December 11, 1931 they killed Sheriff Charles R. Kelly.

Considerable information has been gathered by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation showing that Fred Barker and his gang were closely associated with members of the Keating-Holden-Nash gang, having participated with members of this gang in numerous bank robberies. At the time of the apprehension of Keating and Holden on the Old Mission Golf Course, Kansas City, Missouri, July 7, 1932, Fred Barker fled from that city with his mother, Kate Barker, her paramour, George Dunlop, and Alvin Karpis, and proceeded to West St. Paul, Minnesota, where they established themselves. Shortly thereafter the body of George Dunlop was found beside the highway where it was thrown by his murderers. Fred Barker was suspected in connection with this crime.

During the course of the investigation the residence of Kate Barker and her sons Fred and Arthur R. Barker was discovered in Chicago, Illinois, where it was learned that a safety deposit box in the Woodlawn Safe Deposit Box Company, Chicago, Illinois, had been rented on July 26, 1933 by Kate Barker, using the name Mrs. F. E. Gordon. She gave the name of her son as Ray Gordon, as a co-renter of this box. This box was entered on September 11, 1934 under a search warrant and it was found to contain \$5,506.00

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in currency, which still remains uncalled for at the Safe Deposit Box Company.

Information was also obtained during the course of the investigation that Kate Barker had vacated an apartment on the South Side of Chicago during September, 1934.

Kate Barker was located with her son Fred Barker near Ocala, Florida on the morning of January 18, 1935 and, while she and her son Fred were resisting arrest, they were both shot and killed.

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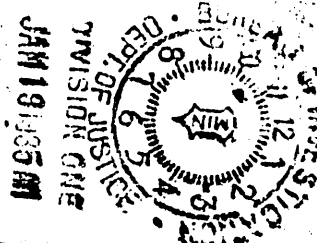
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Washington, D. C.

4:05 P.M.

January 16, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Ladd called and stated that the Chicago American carries a headline to the effect that Doc Barker was secretly held by the U. S. for one week; that the papers have been calling him and he has been denying the story. The papers, according to Mr. Ladd, state he was held secretly in Chicago by the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department. "He was arrested as he left the North Side Apartment with a woman. At almost the same moment another group of Federal Agents raided an apartment at 3920 Pine Grove, killing Russell Gibson." On the day following the shooting, one of the newspaper men asked if it was not true that someone else had been taken in the near vicinity of the raid on the Pine Grove Avenue apartment. Ladd said no at that time, of course. After consulting you, I advised Mr. Ladd to inform that we had no comments to make on the subject. Mr. Ladd seems to think the information was received by the newspapers during their inquiry around the neighborhood after they had found some man and woman were taken.

Mr. Ladd stated he had taken signed statements from the people living in the hideout and had sent them home, there being nothing to indicate that they were mixed up in the activities. They are still holding Elmer Farmer. I advised there was no record in the Veterans Administration of Harold Farmer, which is the latest spelling of the name given by Mr. Ladd. He stated that they had an 18-page statement from Elmer Farmer, which was not as yet signed, but it is believed that it will be in a few moments, in which he admits that Goetz asked him to get a house where he wanted to keep a few men for a week or ten days; that he acted as a guard around town for the gang while they had Bremer in the house; that he tried to find out if any investigation was being made and reported to the gang; that the second day Bremer was kept at the hideout Alderton told him that it was Bremer who was held there for ransom. Elmer Farmer knows all of the gang and can identify their photographs and states that a few days after Bremer was released, Goetz gave him \$1000. I stated he had better be included in the indictment.

In connection with Monte Carter, Mr. Ladd stated he did not believe he was directly in on the kidnaping but obtained approximately \$3000 from Goetz afterwards. He stayed with Mrs. Goetz most of the time during Goetz's absence. It is believed Carter should be indicted and held as a witness, and that we should endeavor to have him placed on probation; that if we released him the police would probably pick him up and charge him with participation in the St. Valentine's Day Massacre. Mr. Ladd stated Farmer will identify both of the Barkers as being present at the hideout.

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January 17, 1935.

Time-10:02 A.M.

**MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM**

Mr. Francis Connor of the Chicago Daily News telephoned and asked if I wouldn't substantiate the story printed by the Chicago American yesterday to the effect that "Doc" Barker had been in custody for five days in Chicago.

I stated that I could make no comment, as all newspaper releases had to come through Mr. Henry Suydam of the Department.

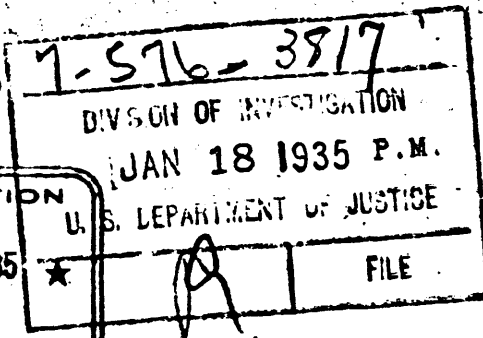
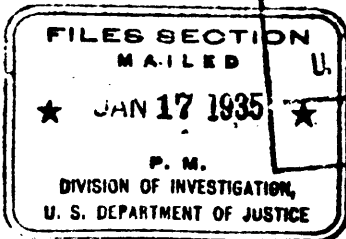
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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
January 17, 1935.

Time 9:45 PM

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Please be advised that SAC Ladd telephoned from Chicago and stated that one Harold Allderton was taken into custody this evening at Kokomo, Indiana, by agents of this Division. This individual is the person who had the house where Bremer was held. He is being brought into the Chicago office for questioning and every effort will be made to keep the information out of the newspapers, although there is a possibility that Allderton's mother will give the information out, as it was necessary to station several agents at her home to prevent her warning her son, if he attempted to contact her prior to his apprehension.

Mr. Nathan is leaving for St. Paul at 10:45 PM

Respectfully,

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January 16, 1935.

Time: 10:54 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

I telephoned the Jacksonville Office and talked to Agent Lacour in the absence of Mr. Alt. He stated Mr. Alt had been informed by the Associated Press that a report was received from the representative of that association at Ocala, Florida, to the effect that a battle had been raging since day-break or 7 o'clock this morning. I inquired as to whether Mr. Connelley had made any effort to arrange for telephonic contact during the course of the battle. Ocala is 107 miles from Jacksonville, and Mr. Lacour surmised that it would take less than two hours to reach there from Jacksonville via plane.

Mr. Lacour further advised that the point at which the Agents are now operating is about 13 miles from Ocala, which means it is about 120 miles from Jacksonville. Mr. Lacour stated he has been through the section of Florida surrounding Ocala, and it is not a thickly populated section. The house in which the members of the gang are located is situated on a lake, and although there are quite a few small towns in the vicinity, Ocala is the nearest town of any size. Upon further consideration, Mr. Lacour stated that he felt they could reach Ocala in one hour travelling by plane, and it would possibly take half an hour to reach the scene of the battle by automobile.

Mr. Lacour stated that only he and Mr. Alt are left at Jacksonville. He will call immediately upon receipt of further information.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
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January 16, 1935.

Time: 11:10 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Mr. Alt telephoned from Jacksonville, Florida, and stated he had just returned from the Associated Press headquarters, in accordance with your instructions. He learned a bulletin was received to the effect that a group of about fifteen Agents and an undetermined number of men from Chicago were engaged in a gun battle at Oklawaha, about fifteen miles from Ocala; that the firing had been continuing since 7 o'clock this morning; that the gangsters are barricaded in a deserted house; that there are no casualties on either side, although machine gun fire was coming from both sides.

I stated that I want to be certain Mr. Connelley has sufficient ammunition in gas and guns. Mr. Alt advised that a group of Agents left Jacksonville this morning at 1:00 o'clock, at which time they had plenty of equipment. Mr. Alt was deeply concerned because he had not been able to contact any one in Ocala in order to get information. He places no confidence in the sheriff at Ocala. I told him I had in mind having either him or Mr. Lacour proceed to Ocala by chartered plane to make contact if it could be done safely, without becoming involved in the firing. I remarked that of course the members of the Karpis-Barker gang are the worst criminals in the entire country, and particularly not knowing the extent of their equipment and ammunition, I am deeply concerned lest our Agents exhaust their supply of equipment. Mr. Alt said he insisted last night that the Agents take shields with them, and although they were reluctant to do so because they felt they were not adequate to resist bullets, they did take them along; that the Agents were equipped with high-powered rifles and .351 guns. Mr. Alt stated that he had left in the office a couple of Monitors, a rifle and one machine gun. He did not believe they would need more guns, but it is now rather a question of ammunition.

Mr. Alt inquired as to the advisability of trying to contact somebody in Ocala. He stated he has heard favorable comments concerning the new Chief of Police at Ocala. Mr. Alt estimated that it would require approximately an hour and a half to reach Ocala by plane. I expressed concern over the fact that the press representatives will now interfere with the situation in the vicinity of Ocala; that I have confidence in our Agents' being able to handle the situation if there is no interference of this type. Mr. Alt did not feel that we need anticipate such interference due to the fact that they are located at an isolated spot and there had been no leak until this morning. I stated that no doubt the news reel and movietone representatives will rush in as soon as they learn there is a battle.

I instructed Mr. Alt to charter a plane immediately and proceed to Ocala in order to make contact, or if he felt Agent Lacour could handle this situation it would be all right to send him to Ocala. Mr. Alt expressed confidence in Mr. Lacour's ability to take care of this matter. I suggested that

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he take with him additional high-powered rifles and ammunition. Mr. Alt said he would arrange immediately for Mr. Lacour to proceed to Ocala by the fastest plane available. I instructed that Mr. Lacour proceed by automobile from Ocala to the scene of the battle, taking with him the guns and ammunition, and then arrange to get in touch with us to inform as to the status of the situation.

Mr. Alt stated that in the meantime, he would also attempt to make contact at Ocala by telephone.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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January 16, 1935

Time - 6:08 P.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Florida and stated that the parties in the house opened fire on them first, whereupon the Agents returned the fire with the result that both Mrs. Barker and Fred Barker were killed; that Mrs. Barker had in her hand at the time of her death a machine gun, and Fred had apparently emptied a machine gun and had started to use his automatic at the time he was killed by a shot from a 30.06 rifle. They found four \$1000 bills in Fred Barker's money belt, in addition to two machine guns, four bullet-proof vests, a Marlin rifle, two shot guns, a .22 rifle, some old shot guns and quite an amount of ammunition which was found at various places in the house.

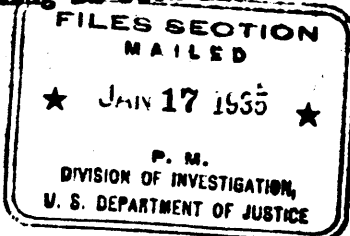
Mr. Connelley stated that he has to appear tomorrow at 11:00 A.M., before the coroner's jury. Mr. Connelley stated that he would limit his testimony to the fact of their identity, their connection with the Karpis-Barker gang and the Bremer kidnaping, and their past criminal record. Mr. Connelley stated that he anticipated no trouble in this inquest as the people and officers down there were very cooperative.. He stated that while he has not as yet contacted the United States Attorney, there may be some question as to whether or not we were authorized to take the money and guns out of the house, and if such a question does come up, he will then contact the United States Attorney.

Mr. Connelley stated that in view of the availability of numerous Agents in that particular section of the country at the present time, he deemed it advisable for him to personally proceed to Miami, Florida just as soon as possible and there conduct an investigation to find Karpis and Campbell, who are believed to be in that vicinity. I told him that I concurred in this, and just as soon as the Coroner's jury inquest is over, he should then proceed to Miami.

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I told Mr. Connelley that it was my opinion that we would have to break the story about Doc Barker tomorrow; that the Chicago American came out today with a story to the effect that we have this man; that in view of the circumstances, it was my opinion that there is some leak in the Chicago Office; that I have ordered this man returned from Detroit to Chicago tonight, and I am going to start to get indictments at St. Paul tomorrow morning, naming in such indictments all the persons involved, including Mrs. Barker.



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Memo for Mr. Tamm

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Mr. Connelley stated that the newspaper men and the movietone men have been swarming around the place, but they have been allowed to photograph only the outside of the house; that as a matter of fact, no one has been allowed to enter the house; that they are not being allowed to photograph our men.

Mr. Connelley stated that the man who owns the house is coming up tonight, and Mr. Connelley is going to tell him just exactly where he stands in this matter; that this man is a member of that crowd who runs the various race tracks, etc., in and around Miami, and it is possible that he is implicated.

Mr. Connelley stated that the very best of cooperation has been extended by the county officers down there; that after the battle they came around and congratulated him and the Agents on their work. I told Mr. Connelley that he should make a note of the names of any of these men who were of particular assistance and I would in the due course of time drop them a personal note of thanks. Mr. Connelley stated that there are a couple of the men who he thinks should be paid \$50.00 or \$100.00 for their services. I told him that we would certainly approve any such just payments to parties deserving the same. I told him to also make a note of the names of the Agents who were of particular service in this matter.

I requested that he advise me of any further developments, and he stated that he would telephone me in the morning.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 16, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Reference is made to our conversation concerning the Identification Order and temporary wanted notice situation.

I am informed that an Identification Order was issued with respect to Doc Barker because he was definitely identified as being connected with the Bremer kidnaping. This participation was predicated upon fingerprints developed from a gasoline can used by the kidnapers of Mr. Bremer. Barker and Alvin Karpis had been indicted for conspiracy to kidnap, Karpis having been identified as the person who purchased flashlight batteries which were identified in connection with the case.

I am informed by Mr. Tamm and Mr. Newby that Fred Barker was not made the subject of an Identification Order because there was not sufficient evidence upon which to base an I. O. However, the Division knew that Fred Barker was a member of the Barker-Karpis mob and on this basis issued what is called a temporary wanted notice requesting all offices to personally call upon the Chief of Police or the person in charge of the identification bureau in the larger cities of the districts for the purpose of requesting that any information concerning the whereabouts of Fred Barker be promptly reported to the field office. Other temporary wanted notices were issued with respect to Harry Campbell, Volney Davis, Charles J. Fitzgerald, Jess Doyle, Clyde Nimerick, Harry Sawyer, Edna Murray, Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver. Copies of these wanted notices are attached and I am informed that these are the only wanted notices ever issued by the Division.

Mr. Tamm and Mr. Newby inform me that no Identification Order was issued on Maw Barker because there was no evidence of her actual participation in the kidnaping. They state that no temporary wanted notice was issued with respect to her because her fingerprints were not available. She has no criminal record apparently.

Your attention is invited to the fact that Fred Barker was wanted by the Police Department and Sheriff's Office at West Plains, Missouri, and that he was wanted for escape and assault with intent to kill by the Police Department of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and the Sheriff's Office of Claremore, Oklahoma. Mr. Newby further informs me that at the recent conference at Chicago, he argued very strongly in favor of re-indicting all of the Karpis-Barker gang for the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer for the Division's protection in the event of killing of any of these individuals. He stated that he was alone in his position concerning this matter and that the other officials and Agents in attendance felt no good purpose would be served by this action. I would have been inclined to favor Mr. Newby's suggestion. I think that in all of these cases

I agree with Newby thoroughly.  
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wherein there is sufficient evidence to justify an indictment, such an indictment would serve as protection to the Division in the event these individuals were subsequently killed or in the event any persons were killed in connection with efforts to apprehend and capture such persons. I am not at all sure that Mr. Tamm agrees with this viewpoint as he seems rather inclined to the view that efforts to apprehend individuals in such instances may be circumvented by publicity which usually results from the issuance of an Identification Order. While the Division Agents clearly were fully justified in killing Fred Barker and Maw Barker in that they resisted arrest when they were being sought for questioning, there is no indictment of record specifically charging them with participation in the kidnaping. Of course, it is true that Fred Barker was wanted for murder but there is no criminal record of Maw Barker.

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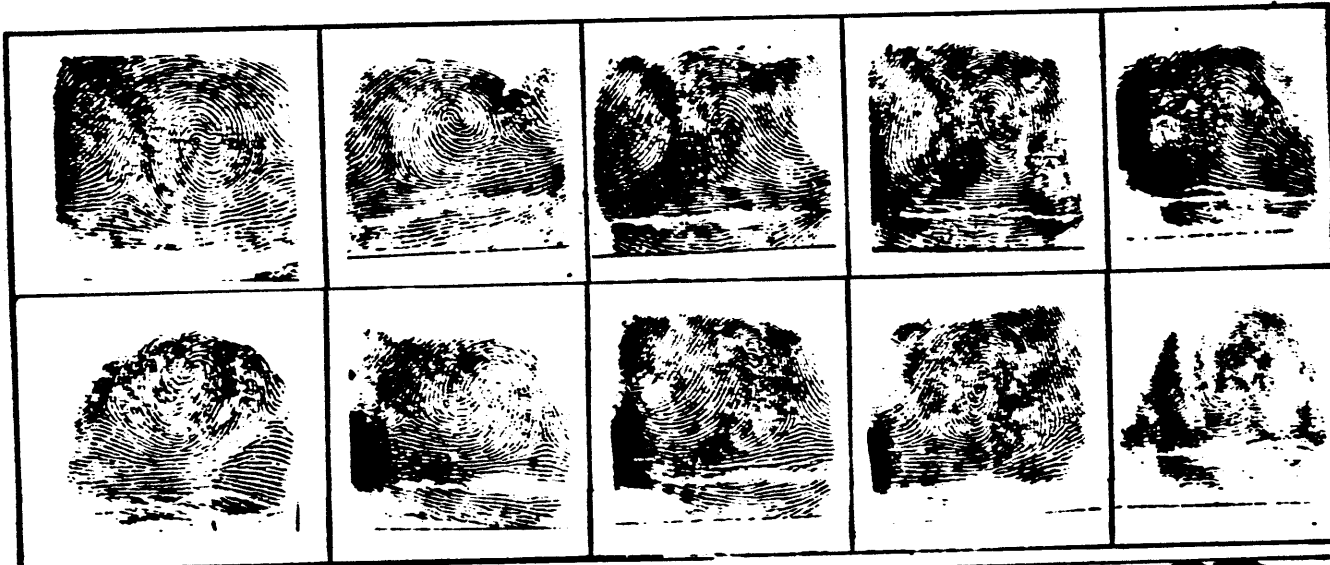
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October 11, 1934

HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases: Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn,  
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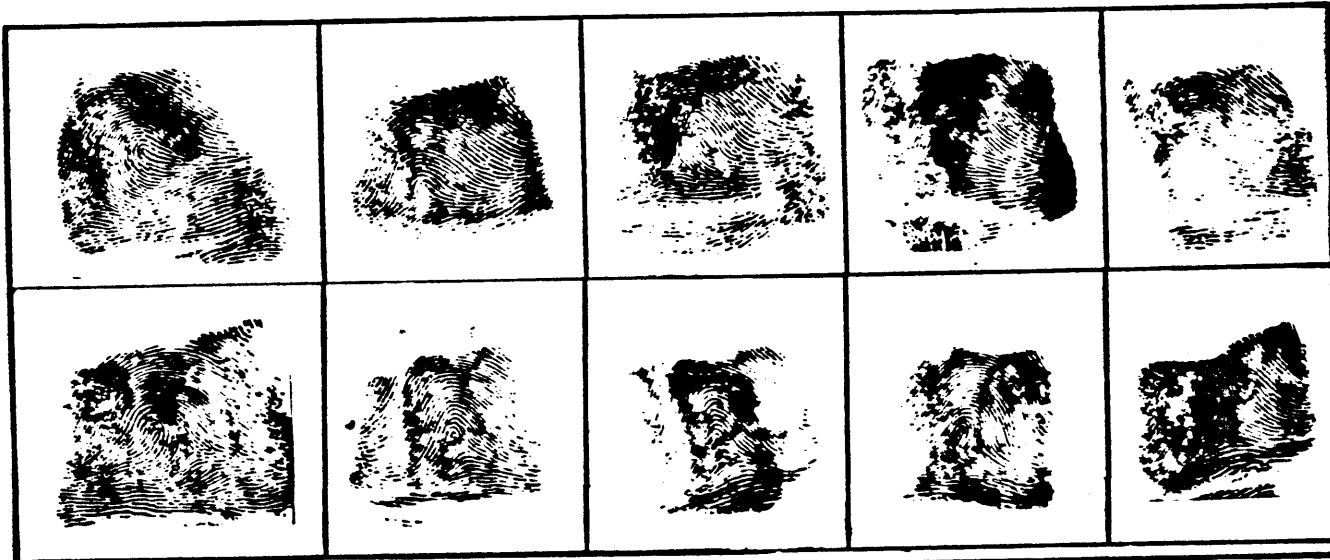
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VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases: E. V. Davis, J. H. Lockwood, S. E.  
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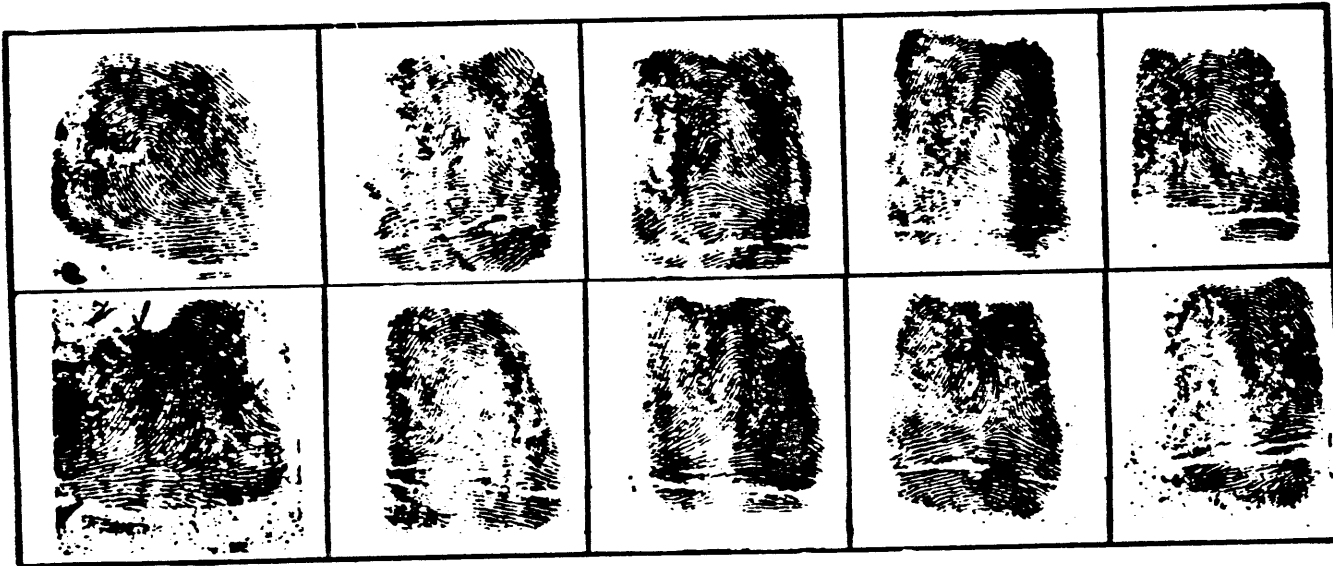
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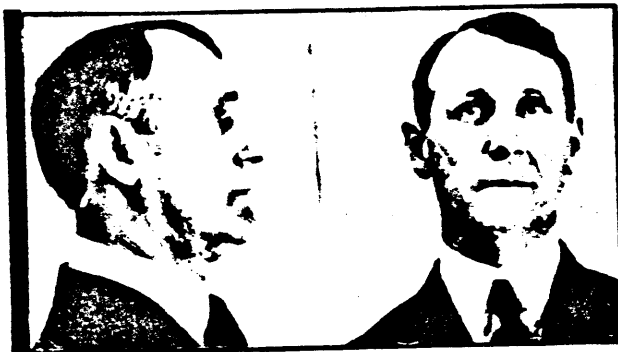
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Charles E. Lowe, J. C. Hammond, Frank West, J. C. Adams,  
P. Fitzgerald, W. E. Fitzgerald, Charles Jordan, Daniel Mathias  
Logan, "Chuck" Fitzgerald, "Big Fitz", "Chi Slim", "Big Charley",  
"Long Charley", "Slim Williams". Division No. 95780.



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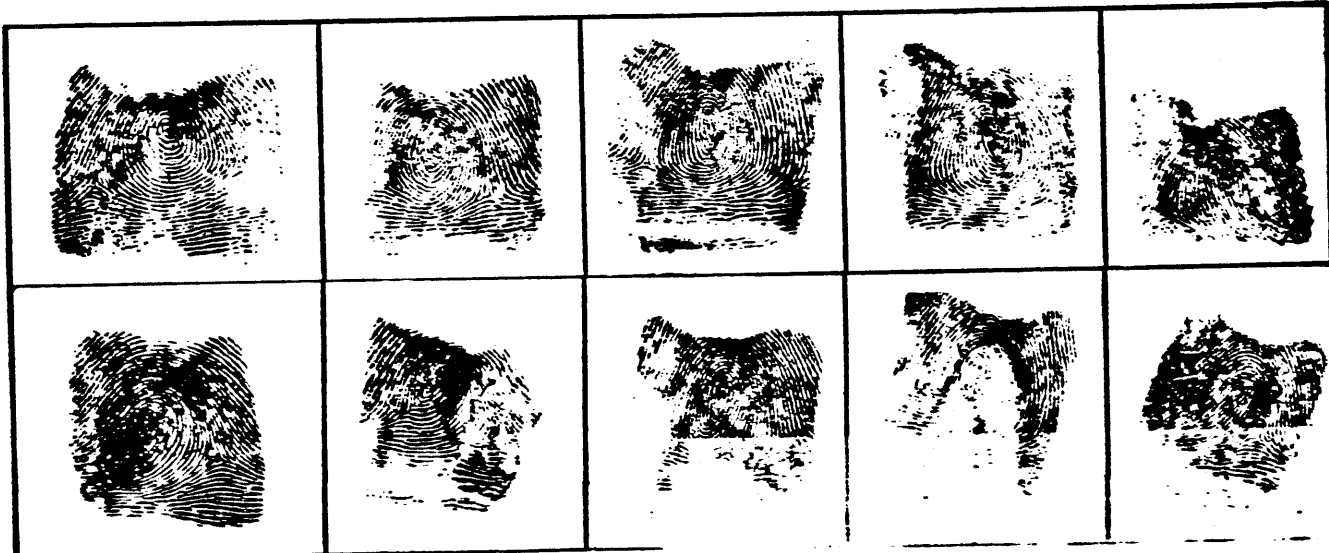




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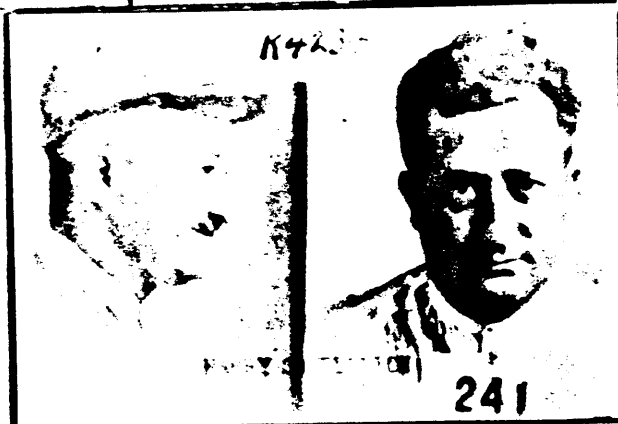
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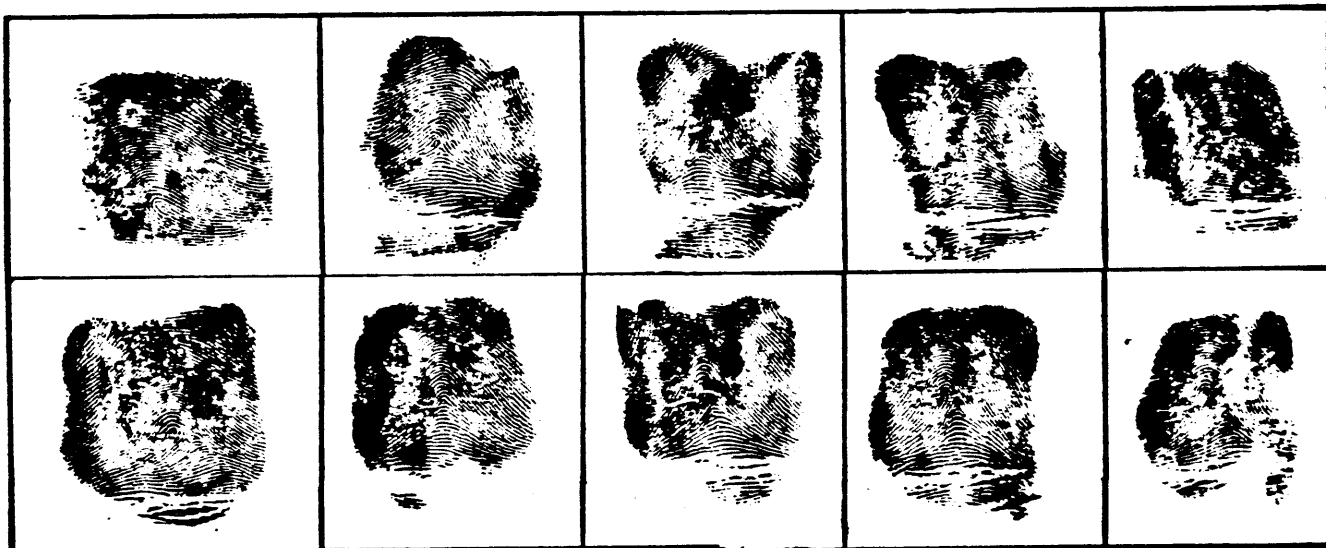
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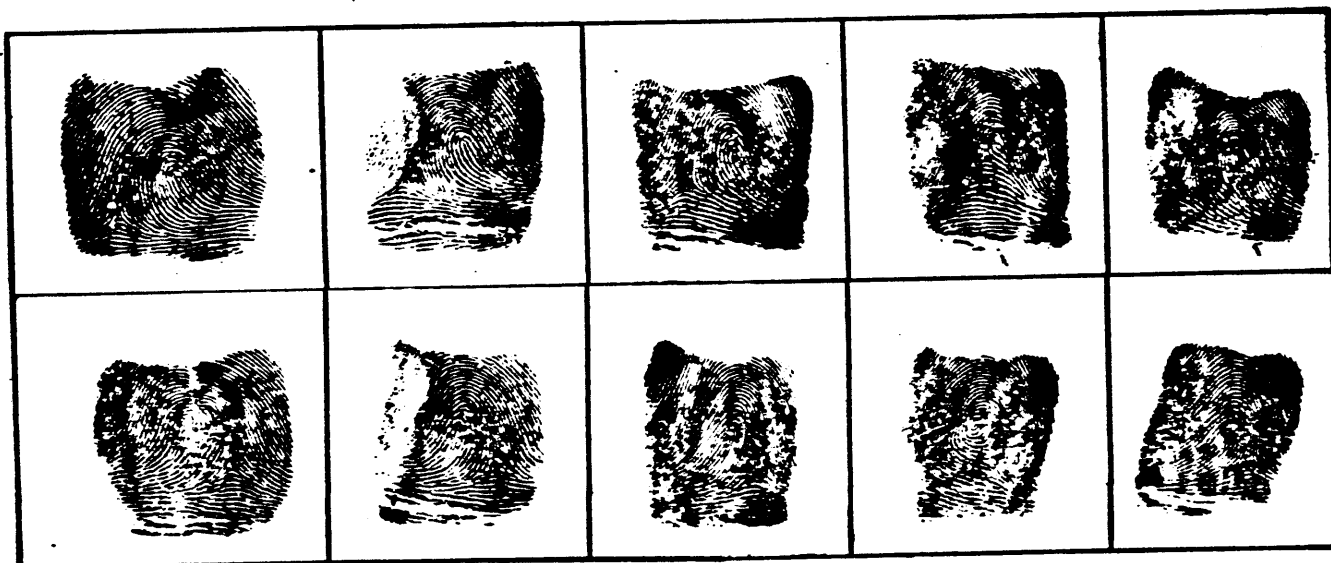
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Myrtle King. Division No. 337474.



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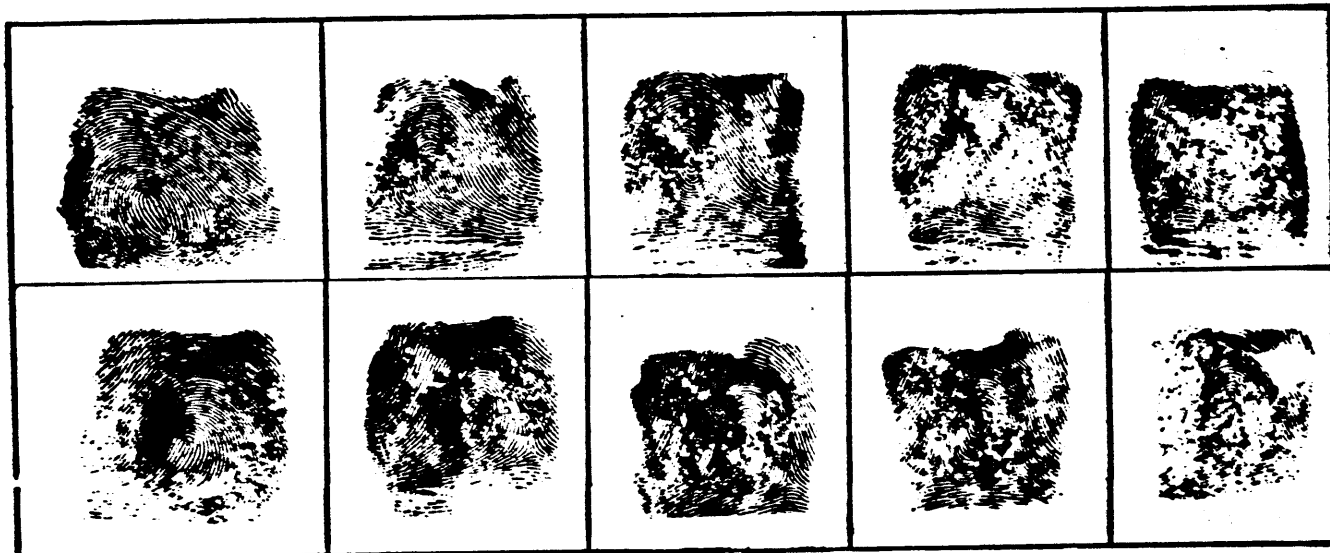
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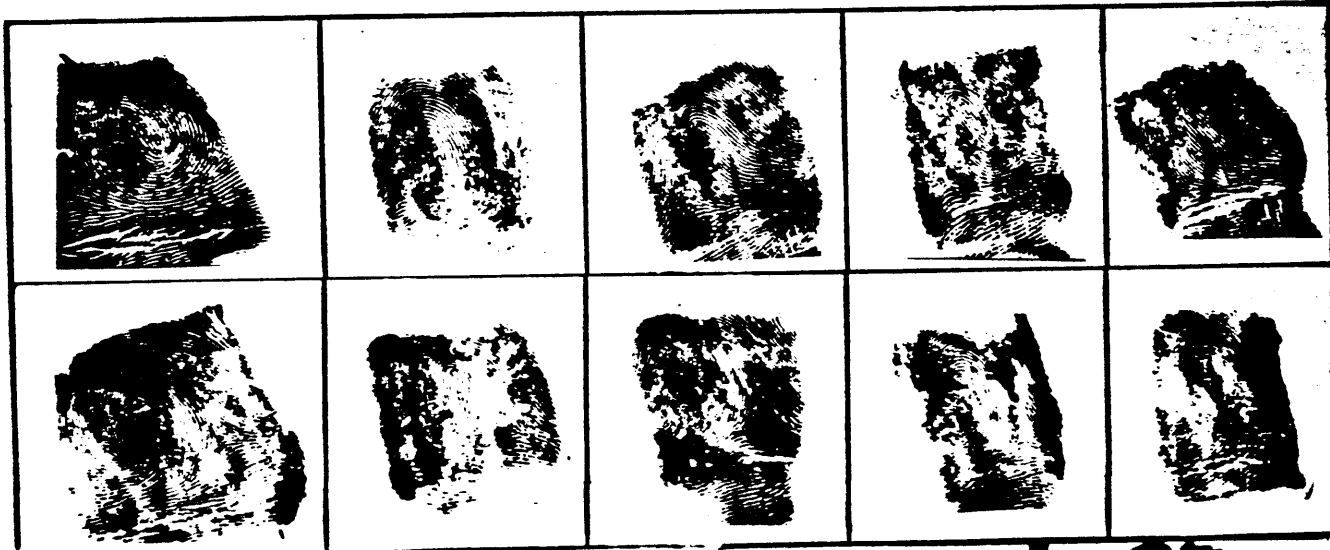
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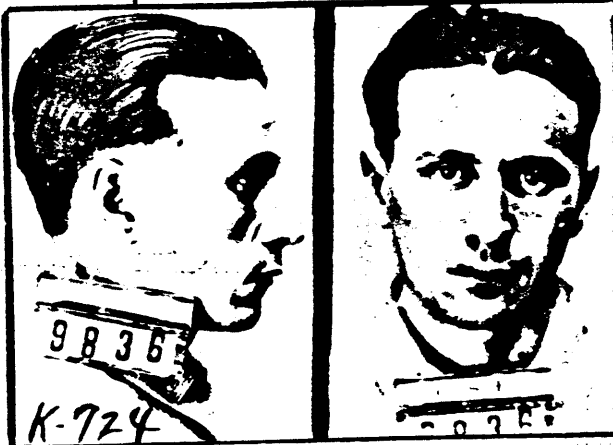
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FRED BARKER, with aliases: F. G. Ward, Ted Murphy, J. Darrows,  
R. E. Davis, J. E. Blackburn, T. C. Blackburn, A. S. Hunter,  
J. Earl Matterson, Earl J. Matterson, J. Stanley Smith,  
Fred E. Gordon. Fred E. Anderson. Division No. 59163.



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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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January 16, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:45 A.M.

Mr. Alt called in connection with the Bremer case. He stated he had just received an inquiry from the Associated Press as to whether he knew anything about a bunch of fifteen or so Agents down in Ocala, Florida, and Alt advised he did not. Alt was advised by the A. P. representative that he had just received a call from the hotel in Ocala and that there has been a battle raging there since 7 o'clock this morning; that the Agents are shooting into the house and the fire is being returned.

Mr. Alt advised, upon inquiry, that Connelley has 14 men with him and that he, Alt, had loaded them up with extra ammunition last night, and thinks they have plenty. Alt stated Mr. Viles of the Associated Press, whom he knows very well, had stated he would let Alt read their bulletin, and I requested that he do this and then call the Division giving all the information contained therein.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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January 17, 1935.

Time-12:45A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TALL

A man, refusing to give his name, called this morning prepaid from Chicago to inform the Division of the present whereabouts of a Dr. Moran, an abortionist, wanted by the Department of Justice. He stated that Dr. Moran, under the name of Lason, is presently associated with a Dr. Wells, 64th. and College Grove Avenues, Chicago, Ill.

The above is the extent of the information given.

Respectfully,

*R. L. Moore*  
R. L. Moore.

*add at Chicago address of  
this 1/17/35 - 1<sup>45</sup> pm En*

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

With further reference to the investigative activity of this Division in the Edgard G. Bremer kidnaping case on January 8, 1935, Special Agents of this Division took into custody Arthur R. Barker, alias "Doc" Barker, alias Bob Barker, alias Claude Dale. Barker was apprehended in the city of Chicago coincident with the fatal shooting of Russell Gibson, one of his associates, in another section of the city of Chicago, while resisting arrest being made by Special Agents of this Division. Arthur R. Barker was named along with several others as one of the defendants in an indictment returned by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, on May 4, 1934, charged with violating the Federal Kidnaping Statute, in that on January 17, 1934, he and the other defendants kidnaped Edward G. Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Arthur R. Barker is a member of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang. Fred Barker, his brother, and Kate Barker, his mother, were killed in gun battle with Special Agents of this Division in the vicinity of Ocala, Florida, yesterday morning. Arthur R. Barker was convicted of the murder of Thomas J. Sherrill, an aged night watchman at the St. Johns Hospital, Tulsa, Oklahoma, on August 26, 1921. He was sentenced to life in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, but was paroled from that institution on September 10, 1932.

Barker has been removed to St. Paul, Minnesota, where he will be arraigned under the indictment charging him as one of the participants in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Respectfully,

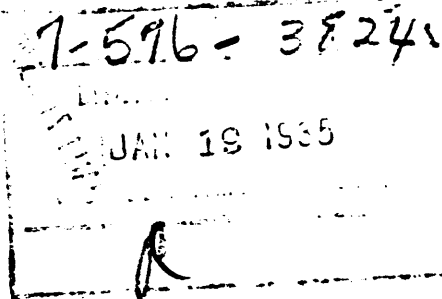
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I am attaching hereto a memorandum covering the arrest of Arthur G. Barker, otherwise known as "Doc" Barker. He is a brother of the Fred Barker whom we killed near Ocala, Florida yesterday. You will note that we arrested this man on January 8, 1935, at Chicago, Illinois. At the present moment, he is being removed from Chicago to St. Paul. He has not as yet reached St. Paul, and will not reach St. Paul until some time late this afternoon. I do not know whether you desire to make formal announcement of this arrest until he has reached St. Paul. I would see no objection to announcing that we have in custody Arthur Barker, but I do not believe it would be wise to indicate that he is being taken to St. Paul until he has actually reached the city of St. Paul. The Barkers have many underworld friends and it is within the realm of possibility, though not probability, that some effort might be made to release him from the custody of our Agents upon their arrival at St. Paul. There have been a number of newspaper stories published in the Chicago papers, indicating that Barker was in our custody, but there has been no confirmation from official sources of this fact. Of course, he is and has been in our custody since January 8, 1935.

Respectfully,

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Director.

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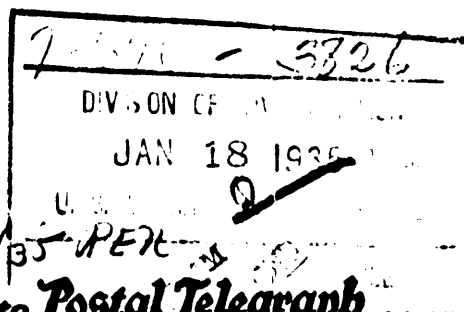
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P. O. Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois

January 17, 1935

Director  
Division of Investigation  
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Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I. O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232,  
et al.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith a copy of  
the fingerprint impressions of Elmer Farmer, who  
was taken into custody by agents of the Chicago  
Division office on January 16, 1935, in connection  
with the above entitled case.

Very truly yours,

*E. J. Connelley*  
E. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
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January 24, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 17, 1935, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I. O. 1218; Arthur R. Barker with aliases, I. O. 1219; Russell Gibson with aliases, I. O. 1213; Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases, I. O. 1232, et al.; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

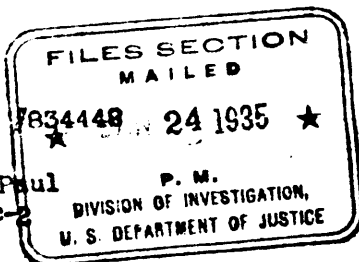
The fingerprints of Elmer Farmer submitted with your letter were compared with the latent fingerprints previously developed in connection with this case, but no identification was effected.

A transcript of the criminal record of Farmer as disclosed by the main fingerprint files of the Division is transmitted herewith.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Nathan called in connection with the Bremer case to secure information concerning developments in the Florida situation. I advised that Fred and Kate Barker were both being made the subjects of a coroner's report this afternoon, and that there was no one else in the house, and none of our boys were hurt.

Mr. Nathan advised that he was leaving on the 4:50 train for Chicago.

I advised that the hide-out had been checked all right and had been entered this morning.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.  
1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

On January 10, 1935, Special Agents R. C. Suran, J. J. Metcalfe and F. G. Tillman secured the attached latent fingerprints numbered from 2 to 8 inclusive, at apartment 1, 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, formerly occupied by Russell Gibson, Mrs. Clara Gibson, Byron Bolton and Ruth Heidt. These fingerprints were obtained from the following places:

- No. 2 Center door of kitchen cabinet;
- No. 3 Casing of door leading from dining room to kitchenette;
- No. 4 " " " " " " " " " "
- No. 5 Right hand door of kitchen cabinet;
- No. 6 Linen closet door below knob;
- No. 7 Casing of door leading from hall to living room;
- No. 8 " " " " " " " " " "

Latent prints marked No. 9 to 11 inclusive, were obtained from apartment G1, Surf Lane Apartments, 432 Surf Street, formerly occupied by Doc Barker and Mildred Kuhlman. These latent prints were obtained from the following places:

- No. 9 Door casings to bedroom;
- No. 10 Norol-agar bottle;
- No. 11 " " " " " " " " " "

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It is requested that these exhibits be compared with the fingerprints of the known suspects in the above entitled case.

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Very truly yours,

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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E. J. Connelley  
E. J. CONNELLEY, Jr.  
Special Agent in Charge.

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minnesota.

REPORT MADE AT: Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE: 1/17/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/9, 10/35	REPORT MADE BY: E. J. Wynn, CJC
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219, ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: K I D N A P I N G
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: None of subjects known at Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Ky. Efforts made to check occupants of rooms 1116 and 1408 for six months prior to September, 1934, but results rather negative due to absence of hotel records, which have been destroyed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>Reference: Report of Special Agent D.E. Hall, Detroit, 9/25/34.</p> <p>Details: <u>AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY</u></p> <p>The report of reference, page 23, details the finding of two keys for the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, Rooms 1116 and 1408.</p> <p>Mr. Turner Milan, Assistant Manager, Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, advised that no separate record of missing keys is maintained at the hotel, and therefore it is impossible to determine just what occupants of the two rooms departed with the keys. The hotel is one of the prominent hotels of the city. Rooms 1116 and 1408 are the highest priced rooms in the hotel.</p> <p>Effort was made to determine the name and address of every occupant of the rooms for a period of six months prior to September, 1934. A separate room record book is maintained at the</p> <p style="text-align: right;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>			
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hotel, containing the information as to the respective rooms occupied each day, designating the occupant by registration card number. With this information, the registration card of the occupant can be secured, together with the bill record, indicating telephone calls and other charges. Unfortunately, the hotel maintains a policy of destroying records, generally within a period of a few months after the guest has departed. Mr. Milam made an extensive search of the records, and was finally able to locate the bills on the following named persons, but was unable to locate the registration cards:

Room	Guest	Date registered	Phone calls
1408	W.D. Bartholomew, Chicago, Illinois.	4/11/34	None
1408	Fred Krause, New York City.	4/6/34	4/8/34 called long distance, N.Y. Cy. telephone Endicott 25237.
1408	H. L. Weber, Boston, Massachusetts.	7/24/34	None
1408	Paul Stupp & Wife, Springfield, Ohio.	7/27/34	None
1408	Mr. & Mrs. A.J. Turney, Chicago, Ill.	4/21/34	None
1408	Ralph E. Hays, Detroit, Michigan.	4/15/34	None
1116	Lonnie Davidson & Wife	8/7/34	None
1116	J.C. Pottage, No address given.	7/24/34	None
1116	Mr. & Mrs. G.F. Barnes, Gary, Indiana.	4/21/34	None
1116	H. B. Hazelton, St. Louis, Mo.	4/13/34	None
1116	Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Phillips, Cleveland, Ohio.	4/13/34	None
1116	Mr. & Mrs. Lee Moore, Danville (state not given)	4/10/34	None

None of the above guests are known to the hotel. Following are guests who are known to the hotel as regular customers, and whom Mr. Milam vouches for:

1116	E. C. Houston, Atlanta, Georgia.	7/23/34
1116	T. O. Morton, Campbellsville, Ky.	8/6/34

1408	H. J. Robertson, Paducah, Kentucky.	4/18/34
1116	Gene Reynolds, Detroit, Michigan.	4/23/34.

Photographs of the subjects of this case and their associates were exhibited to Mr. Milam and to various employees of the hotel, but no identifications could be made.

As indicated, the above represents but a small percentage of the guests occupying the two rooms for the period of six months prior to September, 1934. All the names of subjects and known aliases were searched through current records of the hotel under direction of Mr. Milam, and he advised that their records fail to indicate any of them as present or former guests.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Salt Lake City, Utah.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1-15-35.</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1-8-35.</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>C.E. WEEKS - G.J.</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219; RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. 1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING.</b>

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

William Wever, said to have been seen in Las Vegas, Nevada, about two months ago in Las Vegas Club. Arrangements made that this office be notified in the event of future appearance.

## DETAILS:

While conducting investigation at Las Vegas, Nevada, agent was advised by Deputy Sheriff Homer Grove, who has previously identified the photograph of Harry Sawyer as having resided at Las Vegas, Nevada, under the name of Frank Jones, as reported in report of Special Agent in Charge John A. Dowd, Salt Lake City, Utah, 12-3-34, that the photograph of William Wever appears somewhat familiar to him; that he could not place where he has seen it, although he is quite sure he has seen this man in Las Vegas.

G.A. Nash, who is employed as a guard of the payroll at the Boulder City Construction Project, Six Companies, upon viewing the photograph of William Wever stated that he is positive that he has seen this individual at the Faro Bank in the Las Vegas Club, approximately six weeks ago.

Ray Mann, who is also employed as a Guard of the Six Companies payroll and as a Special Deputy Sheriff on occasions, stated that the picture looks familiar to him, but that he cannot positively identify it.

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Mr. B.M. McDonald, General Delivery Clerk, Las Vegas, Nevada, was unable to identify this photograph with that of anyone he had ever seen.

Inquiry was made among the more prominent hotels and this picture was not identified by anyone else.

The picture of William Wever was furnished to G.A. Nash, who will retain the picture in his own possession, and maintain a sharp lookout for Wever in Las Vegas. In the event he appears, Mr. Nash will shadow him to ascertain the number of his automobile, to determine who his associates are and to determine where he is staying in Las Vegas, and he will telephone the Salt Lake City office immediately upon this man's appearance. In the event it appears that Wever is not staying in Las Vegas, he will make appropriate arrangements with the Sheriff's Office to have him apprehended. Mr. Nash was at one time Criminal Investigator for the District Attorney's Office at Riverside, California, and is regarded as very reliable and a competent individual to carry out the instructions given him in accordance with the above procedure. Further, he is in a position to observe individuals coming to Las Vegas for the purpose of gambling or of hide out. His address is 212 West 4th Street, Las Vegas, Nevada, and he can be contacted by mail through General Delivery, and he can also be contacted through the Sheriff's Office in Las Vegas.

b7D [redacted] who resides at [redacted] and who can be contacted through the Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, is regarded as a very sensible and able informant of this office, and he also will be on the lookout for this individual.

While at Beatty, Nevada, on other business, and in the matter concerning Monte Montier, better known as "Speck" proprietor of the Golden Ace Saloon, agent ascertained from Speck that he lived until 1926 in St. Paul, Minn., and that he was well acquainted with members of the underworld there. He stated that he is acquainted with Harry Sawyer, but he claimed not to know that Harry Sawyer had spent considerable time during the past summer in Las Vegas, Nevada, which is 120 miles from Beatty. Speck also advised, upon viewing Subjects of this case photographs, that he is acquainted with Edna Murray. He was questioned concerning them discreetly, and he claimed to know nothing of their activities during recent years, and he was not advised of the reason why they were wanted by this Division.

[redacted] Confidential informant, Salt Lake City office, at Beatty, Nevada, advised that all the pictures of the Subject in this case are unfamiliar to him, and he has seen none of them around the Golden Ace Saloon.

PENDING.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935

EAT:CSH

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:55 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Bauchman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
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Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

I called Mr. Ladd in connection with the Bremer case to advise that you thought we should get waivers of removal from Elmer Farmer and Monte Carter so that, if necessary, we can remove them to St. Paul. I asked Ladd whether Barker knew that his mother and brother were dead, and he said he thought not. I advised him that they should tell him and try to get a waiver of removal. He said that Larson had gotten a regular Division waiver from Detroit and it covers anywhere, so we can take him to St. Paul any time, and there was not any difficulty at all in getting him to sign it. I asked Mr. Ladd whether he thought we should remove him to St. Paul and he said he thought we should, in view of the fact that the papers are publishing stories to the effect that he is in custody. Mr. Ladd stated he did not think there would be any trouble at all about moving Carter and Farmer to St. Paul. Mr. Ladd stated there were no arrangements for holding these individuals in the St. Paul Office and it would probably be better to get an apartment there. I advised that I would let him know relative to moving Barker and the others to St. Paul.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.  
January 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

RE:

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, IO #1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, IO #1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON, IO #1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, IO 1232,  
ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
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There are being transmitted herewith the following

photographs:

Walter Gray, alias Clark Gable  
Clarence R. Walker  
Benjamin T. Gates.

JAN 21 1935

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ONE

These photographs were forwarded to this office with your letter of December 19, 1934, relative to a possible connection these men might have had with a bankrobbery reported to have occurred recently in Missouri and possibly near St. Joseph. You will recall that it was also pointed out in the above letter that Myrtle Eaton was thought to be associating with one Ollie Sheridan, who during the summer of 1934 married Gray, who in turn later met his death in the above mentioned robbery. Inquiries were made by this office at the Kansas City, Missouri, and the Kansas City, Kansas, Police Departments, as well as the Kansas City office of the Wm. J. Burns Detective Agency. In the first two instances, the search of the files revealed no information concerning these men, nor were there any facts forthcoming relative to a bankrobbery in Missouri during which the above mentioned Walter Gray was killed; it was likewise impossible to determine whether or not Walker and Gates were associates of the latter. In like manner, the files of the Wm. J. Burns Detective Agency revealed no information concerning any of these men, nor could they advise this office of any recent bankrobbery in Missouri in which any of the participants had been killed.



2.

On 1-11-35, the records of the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department at St. Joseph were examined, and it was ascertained there that Walter Gray, St. Joseph Police Department No. 1832, had a record on file dating as far back as 11-15-1913. A review of the same with particular emphasis being placed upon his physical description and peculiar characteristics made it apparent that this person is identical with the one whose photograph was sent to this office as stated above. However, it will be noted that the fingerprint classification obtained from the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department is

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while that contained on the reverse side of the photograph sent to this office is

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The aliases of this man contained in the records of the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department, are as follows:

GEORGE SMITH  
EDWARD HILL  
JOE WALLACE  
WILLIAM V. CASEY  
WALTER CASEY  
WALLACE CASEY  
WILLIAM ALLEN  
FRANK MARTIN  
BIG WALLIE  
JAMES RYAN  
LEO WALLACE.

Inquiries of the above bureau further developed the fact that the criminal record of Gray had been sent by the Division to the Sheriff's office at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, under date of 2-6-29, a copy of which had been forwarded to the St. Joseph, Mo., Police Department. Furthermore, there was also a reward notice of \$50.00 in the files of the St. Joseph, Mo., Police Department, which had been posted by the Sheriff's office of Polk County, Osceola, Nebraska, offered for the return of Walter Gray, with aliases, for escape from the Polk County Jail.

8.

As regards recent bank robberies in the vicinity of St. Joseph, however, Mr. W. W. Davis and Mr. B. T. Andrews, who are in charge of the records of that Bureau, stated that no one had been killed in recent offenses of that nature, adding that the only fatality of that kind which had been brought to their notice was the one following the robbery of a bank sometime last November at Kinney, Nebraska. On that occasion, a man by the name of Brodell was killed. It is thought in this connection that Brodell is identical with Karl Keeling, who met his death following participation in a recent bank robbery at Kinney, Nebraska.

Apart from the above information obtained from the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department, no further facts relative to any of the individuals whose photographs were transmitted to this office is available; accordingly, they are being returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN  
Special Agent in Charge.

RPS-ebc  
cc-Division  
Mr. Connelley - Chicago.  
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January 17, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR UNIT FOUR,  
EQUIPMENT SECTION

Transmitted herewith is a memorandum containing  
data for Apprehension Order No. 329 on Arthur R. Barker,  
with aliases, Identification Order No. 1219.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

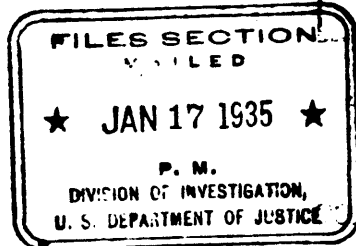
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APPREHENSION ORDER  
NO. 1219-329

Dear Sirs:

IN RE: ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
DOCK BARKER, BOB BARKER, CLAUD  
DALE.

Identification Order No. 1219 on the above named  
subject is hereby cancelled, inasmuch as he was taken into  
custody at Chicago, Illinois, on January 8, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,

Director.

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Division of Investigation

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Washington, D. C. 1:00 P.M.

GNL:TAM

January 17, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Alt called from Jacksonville, and in Mr. Tamm's absence, I received the call. He stated he had just received a telephone call from Mr. Connelley at Ocala, requesting that the United States Attorney go to Ocala immediately, or send one of his assistants, because of the fact that it is desired that the United States Attorney arrange to take possession of the house, personal property, money and the car belonging to Kate and Fred Barker. Alt stated that according to the Florida law, the Coroner should take possession of this property; that while the County Judge is willing to turn the property over to Connelley, he desires to protect himself against a suit. Mr. Alt stated he had made arrangements with the United States Attorney, who is sending two Assistants to Ocala, immediately. Mr. Connelley had suggested that if the United States Attorney did not "fall in line" with the suggestion, it be suggested to him that he call the Attorney General. This may be done - therefore, Mr. Alt wanted the Division to be advised of the possibility thereof. It is believed the Assistants will reach Ocala in about three hours.

Respectfully,

*G. N. Lowdon*

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 16, 1935.

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 2:30 PM

*Bremer Case*

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Baughman	✓
Chief Clerk	✓
Mr. Coffey	✓
Mr. Edwards	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Keith	✓
Mr. Lester	✓
Mr. Quinn	✓
Mr. Schilder	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Mr. Alt telephoned and stated that Agent LaCour was proceeding to Jacksonville to meet SAC Stapleton and accompany him back to Ocala in order that the agents there might be furnished some relief in maintaining a surveillance in that vicinity.

Mr. Alt further advised that the coroners jury had adjourned until 11:00 AM tomorrow without making a return.

In the house, according to Mr. Alt, various articles were found, among which were two "Tommy" guns, three 30.30 rifles, a .351 gun, a shotgun and plenty of ammunition, and on Fred Barker were four \$1,000 bills.

I instructed Mr. Alt to tell Mr. Connelley / he should proceed to Miami after the proceedings relative to the inquest are over and that upon SAC Hanson's arrival in Jacksonville, he should proceed immediately to Miami and join Mr. Connelley there.

Time 3:00 PM

I telephoned Mr. Ladd and advised him that you did not want the Chicago office to give out any information or interviews with newspaper representatives relative to the Barker case. Mr. Ladd stated that he was not giving out anything; that the Chicago American had called him today and during the course of the conversation with him, they had asked him when he was going to release the story on Arthur Barker, to which Mr. Ladd replied that he did not have any story to release.

Time 4:30 PM

I telephoned Mr. Ladd and advised him that you wished him to have Mr. Connelley remain there until the coroner's hearing was completed.

Time 5:05 PM

I telephoned Mr. Ladd and advised him that you wanted to get indictments immediately against the members of the Barker gang who were still free and also against "Doc" Barker; that I thought it would be advisable to

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Telephone call relative to the Bremer  
case 1/16/35

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have some agent who was entirely familiar with the Bremer case go up to Saint Paul and go over the whole case with the United States Attorney there so that he could take immediate steps to have the indictment returned. Mr. Ladd stated that he believed that Agent McIntire was familiar with the case and that he would send him to St. Paul tonight; that Agent Brown, who has been supervising the case, is in Florida. I instructed Mr. Ladd to call the St. Paul office and make an appointment with the U.S. Attorney tomorrow morning so that Agent McIntire could see him then.

Time 6:15 PM

I telephoned Mr. Ladd and advised him that you believed that it would be advisable to bring "Doc" Barker back to Chicago in view of the fact that we would have to bring him into court because of the newspaper <sup>stories</sup> concerning him. I inquired if he thought it would be best to have Mr. Larson's men bring him in, and Mr. Ladd stated that he considered this to be the best plan as his men were down in Indiana and were delayed in getting back to the office by a sleet storm.

I stated that I considered it advisable to get a complaint sworn out against Barker but that I thought it best to hold him at the Chicago office until it was seen what further developments would take place.

Time 6:25 PM

I telephoned Mr. Larson and advised him that it was your wish to have Barker taken back to Chicago tonight. Mr. Larson stated that he would do this and I suggested that he take two cars of agents and transport him back in the same manner that he had been brought to Detroit; that, of course, to take every precaution to see that he did not escape.

b7D  
I further instructed Mr. Larson to maintain close contact with his informants in Toledo and Cleveland and other cities where the Karpis gang might run into, in view of the fact that they are probably on the run. Mr. Larson advised that he had talked with Mr. Hall today at Toledo and that the angle over there looked pretty good; that the man named Fitzgerald is in Toledo and that the Karpis outfit usually contact him and that an informant named [REDACTED] will keep Mr. Larson advised of any developments along that line.

Respectfully,



E.A. Tamm

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 16, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 9:30 PM

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Mr. Tolson.....
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Chief Clerk.....
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Mr. Harbo.....
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Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Larson telephoned from Detroit, Michigan, and advised that the weather conditions were so bad that it would be almost impossible to move Barker to Chicago by auto; that because of the weather there were, of course, no planes operating.

I accordingly instructed him to obtain a drawing room in a train leaving Detroit for Chicago tonight and to make certain that Barker was properly shackled with leg irons and handcuffs so that he could not attempt an escape or suicide.

Mr. Larson stated that they would leave Detroit at 1:10 AM and would arrive in Chicago about 6:30 AM

Respectfully,

*EAT*  
E.A. Tamm

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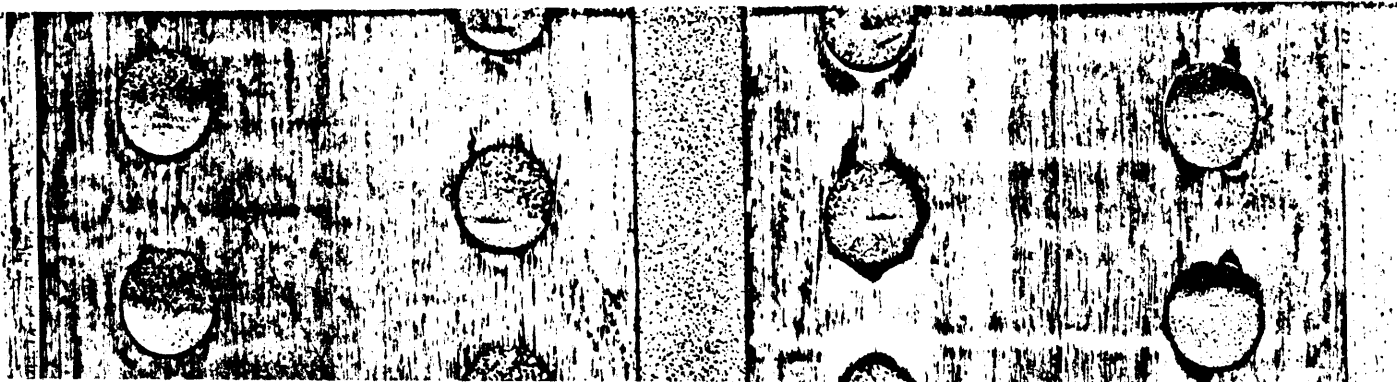
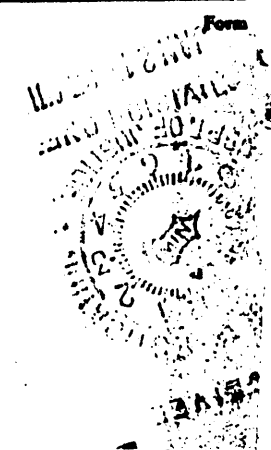
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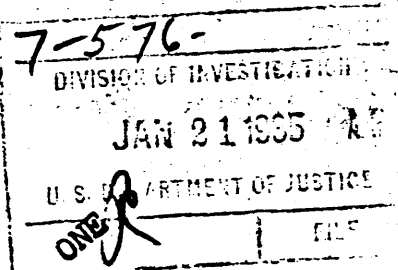
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Post Office Drawer 1457  
St. Louis, Missouri  
January 18, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 536,  
Los Angeles, California



Dear Sir:

re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.  
#1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with  
aliases, I. O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P.  
MORAN, with aliases, I.O.#1232; et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

As a result of efforts by the St. Louis Office to locate  
Willie Harrison who is wanted for questioning in this case, tracing  
has been received addressed to Mr. Elmer Harrison,  
1128 S. Kanmore Ave., Los Angeles, California. Tracing  
has been received of a letter addressed to Mr.  
Harrison, 1115 Lawn Ave., St. Louis, Missouri, bearing the same  
address, both letters being postmarked at Los Angeles, California,  
January 18, 1935.

Elmer Harrison is a brother of Willie Harrison and Mrs.  
Donald Harrison is the latter's sister-in-law. It is understood that  
Donald Harrison married a girl whose parents are now residing in  
Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, California, their name being unknown to  
the St. Louis Office.

It has been further ascertained that sometime during the  
past summer, Willie Harrison was in Los Angeles, California visiting  
the parents and relatives of Mrs. Donald Harrison. It may be that  
J. R. Schafer is the father of Mrs. Donald Harrison.

Please conduct a discreet investigation for the purpose  
of ascertaining if Willie Harrison or other members of the Barker  
Karpis Gang are at 1128 S. Kanmore Ave., Los Angeles, California.  
The identity of Mr. J. R. Schafer should be established and if it  
can be done without arousing suspicion, he should be contacted for  
the purpose of ascertaining whether or not Willie Harrison is in  
Los Angeles or California at this time.

For your information, I am transmitting a photograph of Willie Harrison, as it is not known whether your office possesses one, at this time. Kindly return the photograph to the St. Louis Office when it has served your purpose.

Very truly yours,

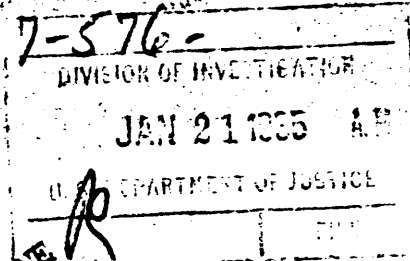
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cc Division  
St. Paul  
Kansas City  
Chicago (E. J. Connelley)

P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

January 18, 1935.

Mr. E.J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Special Assignment,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
P.O.Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.



Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; I.O.#1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases; I.O.#1232,  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING. St. Paul File No. 7-30

After ARTHUR R. BARKER was brought to St. Paul on January 17, 1935, he was searched by Special Agent S.W. Hardy at which time a leather key case containing four keys was found in his coat pocket. This case and keys are being forwarded to the Chicago Office herewith.

ARTHUR R. BARKER states that key #1, which is Hard Key #FC838, is to a black 1935 Model Ford Sedan, which he procures is now in possession of the Chicago Division Office, stating that he loaned this car to RUSSELL GIBSON alias "SLIM" GRAY at BARKER'S Surf Street Home in Chicago, and the same afternoon that ARTHUR BARKER was apprehended by Division Agents. That this car was bought by RUSSELL GIBSON and WILLIAM HARRISON for him, ARTHUR BARKER, under the fictitious name of J.B. BOLTON, from some Ford dealer in Chicago, now, in either September, or October, 1934.

Regarding key #2, which is a brass key of the Independent Lock Company, #1001-LB, with the letter "Q" stamped on the reverse side, ARTHUR BARKER states this key is either to his apartment on Surf Street in Chicago, where he was arrested, or else an apartment he had at 73rd and South Shore Drive in Chicago during 1934; that the latter referred to apartment house had no name on it but he describes it as being on the northeast corner of 73rd and South Shore Drive and states that this apartment was on the first floor and was rented by his mother in the name of F.E. ANDERSON.

Regarding key #3, which is a brass key of the Eagle Lock Company, #56K11, BARKER states that this is a trunk key to his trunk which he gave to WILLIAM HARRISON about July or August, 1934, while he was living at 73rd and South Shore Drive in Chicago, Illinois.

Regarding key #4, which is a key of the Corbin Lock Company, #82, BARKER states that he is not certain but believes this is a key to a handbag or grip which may still be at his Surt Street address in Chicago, in the event it has not already been taken for examination by officers.

Very truly yours,

D.M. LAUD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 17, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.  
1232; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping  
St. Paul File 7-30.

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephonic conversation during the day, this is to advise that on January 17, 1935, Special Agents K. R. McIntire and R. C. Coulter conferred with United States Attorney George F. Sullivan and Assistant United States Attorney George A. Heisey, regarding captioned case, and it was agreed by Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Heisey that it would be impossible to convene a grand jury before January 21, 1935; however, a jury will be summoned on that date for the purpose of hearing the evidence in captioned case.

In the above connection, Mr. Sullivan called at the office during the evening of January 17, 1935, with the below listed subpoenas, and requested that they be served by the Agents in the Chicago office, since it would in all probability be impossible to cause them to be served in the regular way:

James Wilson  
c/o Div. of Investigation,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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William H. Bleschke,  
Ass't Cashier,  
Lakeview Trust & Savings Bank,  
320 North Ashland Blvd.,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Inasmuch as the Division is anxious to cause  
indictments to be returned at the earliest possible time,  
I agreed to this, and under the circumstances I hope you will  
see fit to comply with the request of the United States Attorney.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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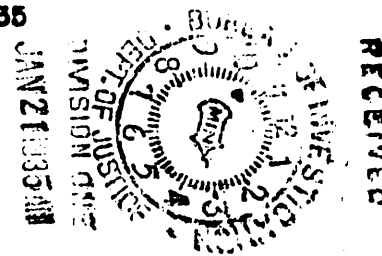
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

St Paul Minnesota  
January 18, 1935

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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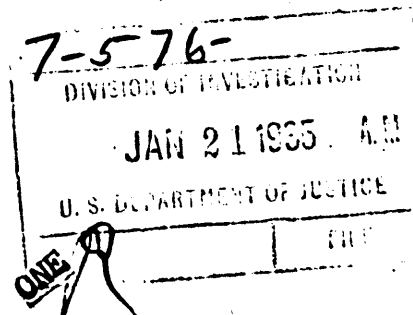
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P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 18, 1935.

Hon. George F. Sullivan,  
United States Attorney,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O.  
1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with  
aliases, I. O. 1219; HUSKILL  
GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,  
I. O. 1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul file No. 7-30.

In connection with the above entitled case, I am  
attaching hereto one copy of each of the following statements:

Statement by Herman C. Baucke dated 1-14-35 at Chicago.  
Statement by Edward Reid Moschel dated 1-16-35 at Chicago.  
Statement by Elmer Farmer dated 1-16-35 at Chicago.  
Statement by Mrs. Edward Reid Moschel dated 1-16-35 at  
Chicago.  
Statement by Clara Gibson dated 1-13-35 at Chicago.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc Chicago

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

January 19, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,  
I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER  
with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with  
aliases, I.O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with  
aliases, I.O. 1232, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
Victim - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith original copy  
of subpoena which was served on James Wilson on  
January 18, 1935, for his appearance at the Federal  
Courts Building in St. Paul on January 21, 1935.

Very truly yours,

E.J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
Special Assignment

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

January 19, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

On January 17, 1935 Special Agent R. C. Suran removed from the upper southwest corner of the bedroom in which Victim Bremer was kept, a portion of the wall paper showing the complete design of same. Special Agent B. H. Hirsch was present at the time this portion of wall paper was removed and it has been appropriately marked by both Special Agents Hirsch and Suran.

This specimen of wall paper was given to Special Agent J. E. Brennan on January 19, 1935 at which time he was instructed to deliver same to the St. Paul Office for use as evidence in connection with the prosecution of this matter.

Agent Brennan was also furnished a complete set of photographs of the interior of this house.

Very truly yours,

R. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Chicago File 7-82

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

From Laboratory and  
Single Fingerprint Unit

Date 1/25 1935.

To: ☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Appel  
☐ Mr. Blackburn  
☐ Mr. Burling  
☐ Mr. Conrad  
☐ Mr. Donaldson  
☐ Mr. Hardison  
☐ Mr. McSwain  
☐ Mr. Parsons  
☐ Mr. Pickering  
☐ Mr. Renneberger  
☐ Mr. Schilder  
☐ Chief, Unit  
☒ Chief Clerk  
☐ Files  
☐ Stenographer  
☐ Mr.

*Has this become  
detached from a letter?*

*E. P. Coffey.*  
E. P. Coffey.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #812

Chicago, Illinois

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January 15, 1935

Director  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232, ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING  
Chicago File #7-82

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting under separate cover three Browning Automatic Rifles recovered on January 8, 1935, from the apartment occupied by Russell Gibson and one Thompson submachine gun recovered from the apartment occupied by Arthur "Doc" Barker. It will be noted that the serial numbers on all of these guns have been removed. It is, therefore, desired that these guns be given the usual laboratory tests in order that their origin may be traced.

These guns have already been processed for latent fingerprints, photographs and lifts of which are being transmitted under separate cover. The remainder of the guns recovered at the above apartments on January 8th are being retained at the Chicago Division Office pending further developments in this case.

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11 MAR 22 1965 Kindly submit to me the laboratory report on the above guns at the earliest possible time.

There is attached hereto a bill of lading for the above shipment.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley  
E. J. CONNELLEY *pro*  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812,  
Chicago, Illinois.

January 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O.#1218, et al,  
Edward George Bremer - Victim,  
Kidnaping. File 7-82

Among the numerous guns found on the occasion of the raid at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on the apartment of "Slim" Gray, there were found the following firearms which were traced by the New York Division Office to the following concerns: It is respectfully requested that each of the Division offices receiving a copy of this letter immediately conduct appropriate inquiry at the concerns named in their districts for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, the identity of the purchasers of these various guns.

Colt automatic .32 calibre, #304822, was sold to Barker Jennings Hardware Company, Lynchburg, Virginia, on August 22, 1919.

Colt automatic pistol, calibre .380, #115483, was sold to Jenny Semple Hill & Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, July 18, 1933. The St. Paul office has previously been requested telephonically to trace this gun.

.38 calibre Police Special revolver #273652, was shipped to Cline, Cline & Company, Los Angeles, California, December 29, 1922.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

ML:GVT  
cc Division  
cc St. Paul  
cc Los Angeles

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
-DIRECTOR

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## Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935

11:20 A. M.

### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Pursuant to your instructions, I telephoned Special Agent K. R. McIntire, presently at the St. Paul Office, for the purpose of assisting in the preparation of a new indictment in the Bremer Kidnaping Case. I instructed him to have included in the indictment the names of the following individuals:

Fred Barker  
Arthur R. Barker  
Kate Barker  
Alvin Karpis  
Volney Davis  
Harry Campbell  
William Weaver  
Jess Doyle  
Edna Murray  
Myrtle Eaton  
Harry Sawyer  
Joseph P. Moran  
George Zeigler alias Fred Goetz  
Byron Bolton alias Monte Carter  
Elmer Farmer  
Harold Allerton  
J. J. McLaughlin, Sr.  
William E. Vidler  
Philip J. Delaney  
Russell Gibson alias "Slim"  
Oliver A. Berg alias "Izzy"  
Willie Harrison

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I inquired of Mr. McIntire whether investigation in the Chicago Office had disclosed the names of any additional individuals who should be included in the new indictment. He stated that he did not have the list before him but that he recalled the name of James Wilson as being considered as one of the defendants, inasmuch as Wilson had furnished a lengthy signed statement, and, therefore, in order to hold him to this statement, it is their intention to include his name in the indictment.

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Mr. McIntire also advised me that he obtained an eighteen page signed statement from Elmer Farmer, implicating himself, in that he received \$1,000. for his part in the kidnaping, and setting out that on the second day after Bremer's arrival at the hideout, he was advised by Allerton that Bremer was being held in the back room. It was also Farmer's duty to seek information relative to any investigations being made at the time Bremer was being held. Farmer includes in his statement the fact that he observed at the hideout Fred Barker, Arthur Barker, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, William Weaver, George Zeigler and Byron Bolton. He cannot identify Volney Davis as being present at the hideout, although he has since become acquainted with Davis who is known to him as "Cotton". Mr. McIntire advised that a copy of the statement obtained from Farmer would, no doubt, reach Washington some time this morning.

Mr. McIntire also advised that at the time he received my 'phone call he was on his way to the United States Attorney's Office, and that after conferring with the United States Attorney, he will again call the Division, advising of the results of the conference.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
R. E. Newby.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minnesota

St. Louis FILE NO. 7-43

REPORT MADE AT: St. Louis, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE: 1-18-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 12-1-34 to 1-15-35	REPORT MADE BY: W. L. BUCHANAN WLB:F
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. #1232; et al. - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Agent living under cover with George Daskalos family at 4541 Gibson Ave., St. Louis, Mo. which is located next door to 4539 Gibson Ave., which is the home of Willie Harrison, who is wanted in this case. Agent has had several conversations with Walter and Elmer Harrison, brothers of Willie and also with Mr. W. J. Harrison, father of Willie. Agent has contacted Micky McCard who is caddy master for Harrison brothers, Walter Elmer and Donald at Algonquin Country Club, St. Louis, Mo. Daskalos family are very close friends of the Harrison family and visit quite often in their home. Agent has also contacted A. A. Ruddick a roomer at Daskalos home who has met Willie Harrison.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: Investigation previously conducted by agents of this Division reveal Mr. W. J. Harrison, who lives at 4539 Gibson Ave., St. Louis, Missouri, has a son whose name is William J. Harrison, who is supposed to be living in Chicago, Illinois and has been reported a companion of Mrs. Kate Barker, a subject in the above entitled case. In addition to the above information, it has also been ascertained that this son Willie has recently made several visits to his parents' home in St. Louis. In view of the above circumstance, this agent was instructed on November 18, 1934 to secure a room in the neighborhood as close as possible to the Harrison home for the purpose of securing information as to Willie Harrison's whereabouts or any visits he might pay his parents in the near future.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>R. E. Vetter</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES: 7-576-3844 JAN 21 1935 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	
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Agent secured a room at 4541 Gibson Ave., the same being next door to the Harrison home. This place is occupied and owned by one George Daskalos, a Greek, who is partly paralyzed, and lives with his wife and small son. In addition to Daskalos family agent ascertained that there were three other roomers living at this address; that one of these roomers whose first name is George, age about 20, is now working as caddy at the Algonquin Country Club near St. Louis; that Willie Harrison has three brothers, Elmer, Donald and Walter who are golf professionals and are also the proprietors of the supply store at this club. Agent deemed it advisable to tell the Daskalos family that he was a ranger from Texas and had recently sold some cattle, and was intending to remain in St. Louis for a few weeks' visit. Inasmuch as agent is acquainted with Texas and had his own automobile bearing Texas license plates, it was deemed appropriate to use the above plan in this investigation. The first few days was spent in attempting to gain the friendship of the Daskalos family.

On December 3, 1934 agent had general conversation with Mr. Ruddick who mentioned knowing Willie Harrison; that he had met him on the porch of Daskalos' home during the summer; that he seemed to be a sport or a gambler but did not know of his own knowledge, what business he was in.

On December 4, 1934, agent had lunch with Daskalos' family. Mrs. Daskalos mentioned that Mr. Harrison was subject to fainting spells and his doctor had ordered him not to leave home alone; that he had low blood pressure and might drop dead at any time.

On December 5, 1934 while in general conversation with George, the caddy boy, who rooms with Daskalos' family, George stated that he was sure Willie Harrison would visit his parents' during the Christmas holidays; that he was well acquainted with Willie and that Willie had asked him to visit him if he would ever come to Chicago. At this point of the conversation, agent expressed his desire to visit Chicago and would like to have someone who was acquainted with Chicago, show him around while there. George further stated he would like to accompany agent on this trip for a few days but that he did not think he could get off from his work but would try and secure Willie's address from his brother Elmer and give it to agent if he was unable to get off. At this time agent stated his desire to visit Chicago while the weather was good but deemed it inadvisable to press George in getting Willie's address, as George questioned agent very closely as to what business he was in and how long he intended to visit in St. Louis.

On December 6, 1934 while driving through Forest Park, St. Louis, Missouri with George the caddy boy, agent mentioned again his desire to visit Chicago and George stated he would get Willie's address

as soon as possible and give same to agent. On arriving home at 4541 Gibson Ave., agent met Mr. William Harrison, Sr. who was walking from Kingshighway St. car line to his home at 4539 Gibson Ave. George introduced Mr. Harrison to agent. At this time, George asked Mr. Harrison for Willie's address at Chicago and Mr. Harrison stated he did not know his address; that Willie ran around all over the country; one time he would hear from him in Havana and the next, somewhere else, but he would get his address as soon as he heard from him and give it to agent; that Willie was well acquainted with Chicago and he was sure Willie would be glad to show this agent around in Chicago.

At this time, Mr. Harrison excused himself, stating he had told his wife he was going around the block for a walk but had been downtown at Union Station instead; that he had fainting spells and his wife would "raise Cain" with him if she found out he had been downtown. He further stated that his family treated him as if he were a small child; that he had four boys and he was in as good physical condition as any of them. It should be noted, at this time, that Mr. Harrison is 83 years old.

On December 7, 1934 while in general conversation with the Daskalos family during the afternoon, Mr. Harrison came in and stated during his visit that he was the father of five boys, one deceased and four living; that three of his sons lived in St. Louis, Walter and Elmer living with him and Donald living with his wife a few blocks away, and that Willie was supposed to live in Chicago but did not stay there much of the time; that he traveled all over the world; that he had heard from him once during the summer in Havana and another time in Florida; that he did not know what kind of business Willie was in, but seemed to make a good living and lots of money. Mr. Harrison further stated that Willie usually visited him on July 4 and Christmas and that he was sure he would come home during the Christmas holidays; that he did not have any idea where Willie was at the present time but would probably hear from him in the near future. Mr. Harrison further stated he would like to show agent around St. Louis as he had lived here eighty years and had watched the city grow from a small village to its present size; that as soon as the snow melted, he would be glad to show agent the places of interest.

On December 18, 1934 while in general conversation with the Daskalos family and while standing on the porch about 9:30 P.M. Elmer Harrison arrived home, walking. Daskalos invited him to come over and have a drink. A few minutes later, Elmer arrived and rang the doorbell at the Daskalos home. Agent was introduced to him. While in general conversation with Daskalos, Ruddick, Mrs. Daskalos and Elmer, Daskalos asked Elmer if Willie was coming home for Christmas. Elmer stated that he did not know whether Willie was coming

home or not; that he did not know where he was at this time and the family had not heard from him lately; that he might "blow in" at any time; that he usually came home some time during the Christmas holidays. During this conversation, Elmer asked agent what business he was in and how long he intended staying in St. Louis, and if he could play golf, and on being informed that agent did not know how to play golf, Elmer offered to instruct agent as soon as the weather would permit. Elmer further stated that he usually took a trip to California every year, leaving St. Louis the day after Christmas; that the family tried to be together on Christmas day; that he did not know whether he would go this year or not. About 1:00 A.M. Elmer stated he was going home, that he needed a little sleep and would have to get up early and go to the club, but would come back during the following afternoon and bring Daskalos a drink if he wanted it; that he had bought a large supply of whiskey for Christmas.

On December 20, 1934 while in general conversation with Mr. Harrison who was visiting the Daskalos family, Mr. Harrison stated that they were going to have a Christmas dinner and that they were expecting Willie home most any day; that Willie was a good sport and he was very anxious for agent to meet him; that if agent still wanted to visit Chicago, he would try to have Willie accompany him on this trip; that he was sure Willie would be glad to do this. Mr. Harrison further stated that he wanted to show agent Shaw's Garden (a botanical garden in St. Louis) as soon as the weather would permit.

On December 21, 1934 while in conversation with Daskalos family, Walter Harrison came in for a visit. Daskalos asked Walter if they were expecting Willie home for Christmas and <sup>he</sup> stated that they were expecting him most any day; that they had not heard from him but he always came home on Christmas; that sometimes he would just drop in unexpectedly without writing or wiring.

On December 24 Elmer Harrison visited with the Daskalos family. While in general conversation, Daskalos asked Elmer if they had heard from Willie and if he knew whether or not he was coming for Christmas. Elmer stated that they had not heard from Willie but was sure he would come home; that Willie thought too much of his mother not to come home. At this time, Elmer stated he was going to a party and would have to leave, and regretted it very much stating he would like to show agent a good time; that he would give a party for agent during the holidays.

On December 28, 1934 Mr. Harrison accompanied agent on a four-hour ride through the city. While in general conversation, Mr. Harrison stated that they had received a package from Willie who was in Chicago at this time but would be home in the next few days; that Willie always came home for Christmas. While driving, Mr. Harrison

remarked that agent was a good driver; that two of his sons Walter and Willie were very good drivers especially Willie; that Willie drove a rich elderly lady from Chicago to Kansas City during the summer and stopped by home for a few hours. It should be noted that this woman is thought to have been Kate Barker a subject in this case.

On December 31, 1934 Daskalos' family gave a New Year's Dinner for agent and the Harrison boys. Elmer and Walter Harrison were present and a place was set for Willie as he was expected home most any time. While in general conversation with Walter, he stated he was sure Willie would come home during the night or next day. Walter further stated that he had rooms 506 and 508 rented at Cleridge Hotel, 18th and Locust St., St. Louis, Missouri and invited agent to come up during the night; that he had invited several of his friends to come up and wanted agent to meet them; that if Willie arrived during the night, he would also be there. Agent proceeded to rooms 506 and 508 and met several young couples who were attending a New year's eve party and dance given by the hotel. Agent stayed around the hotel until 3:00 A.M. with the rest of the party until it broke up, but Willie never appeared.

On January 1, 1935 agent had a conversation with Mr. Harrison who wished agent a happy New Year; that he was very anxious for agent to meet Willie before he departed for Texas; that they had been expecting Willie home all during the holidays and did not know why he failed to come but was sure they would hear from him in the next few days either by wire or letter.

On January 6, 1935 while in conversation with the Daskalos family, agent remarked that he was going to Chicago in the next few days. Mrs. Daskalos stated she would go next door and see Mrs. Harrison, mother of Willie Harrison, and secure his address, as agent might call on him while in Chicago. At this time, Mrs. Daskalos left to see Mrs. Harrison. About thirty minutes later, she returned stating that Mrs. Harrison informed her she did not know Willie's address; that she tried to locate him several days ago, as his insurance was about to lapse and she wanted to notify him about it, but was unable to locate him; that they had been expecting him home all during the holidays and now as he had failed to come, she was of the opinion he was in some other part of the country but could not understand why he had not communicated with her; that if she should receive word from him, she would be glad to give agent his address.

On January 8, 1935 Mr. Harrison visited agent at the Daskalos home during the afternoon. While in general conversation, Mr. Harrison stated they had not heard a word from Willie; that he and

Mrs. Harrison were worried about him; that he was very fond of his mother and always remembered her on Christmas by sending flowers but this was the first time he had failed to come home Christmas; that if agent would delay his trip to Chicago a few days, he was sure they would hear from him. At this time agent made a date with Mr. Harrison for the following day to take a ride to Lambert Flying Field which is about twelve miles from St. Louis.

On January 9, 1935 about 1:00 P.M. agent, on company with Mr. Harrison drove to University City, Clayton, Missouri and onto Lambert Field. On arriving at Lambert Field a mail plane was leaving for Kansas City. Mr. Harrison stated that he had never been close to a plane and stated his desire to climb into one and examine it. Agent secured permission from a mechanic to look at several planes in the hangars. Mr. Harrison climbed into a plane and examined it from one end to another, stating that none of his boys had ever been up in a plane except Willie; that Willie came from California by plane during the summer and topped off at home for three or four days and caught another plane to Chicago; that Willie seemed to like flying and he had told him of taking several trips by air. At this time, agent stated his desire to visit Chicago and Mr. Harrison suggested that agent go by air and leave his car in his, Harrison's, garage, that he would be glad to take care of the car, that he hoped Willie would come home before agent departed so that he could tell agent all about flying. It should be noted at this time that the St. Louis morning papers carried a story about Russell Gibson one of the subjects in this case having been killed by Federal agents in Chicago and Willie Harrison, a St. Louis golf professional was being held with two women. During the entire afternoon, Mr. Harrison never mentioned reading this story and agent deemed it advisable not to mention subject. About 7:30 P.M., while in general conversation with Micky McCard, who is caddy master at Algonquin Club and works for the Harrison brothers, Walter Donald and Elmer, McCard stated that he was going downtown and agent offered to give him a ride as he does not have a car. While driving to town, McCard stated that Walter and Elmer had read the story in the morning papers about Willie and had destroyed the paper, so that their parents could not read it; that on account of their age, and extreme nervousness, they were afraid they could not understand how Willie could have gotten mixed up with a gang of kidnapers; that Willie did not come home Christmas and they did not know what to think. McCard further stated that he had known Willie several years; that he was a heavy drinker and ran around with a wild crowd and that he was not a bit surprised to hear of him doing anything; that he hoped Mr. and Mrs. Harrison did not hear about it and asked agent not to mention anything about it to Mr. Harrison; that he was sure Willie would communicate with Elmer in the next few days.



On January 15, 1935 while in conversation with Micky McCard, agent asked if the Harrison boys had heard from Willie. Micky stated that they had not and seemed to be worried; that they had no idea where he was at this time and that they were afraid he was mixed up with a bad gang since reading the story in the St. Louis papers but was sure he would communicate with them in the near future.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

ST. LOUIS OFFICE, will continue to check all leads on Willie Harrison and endeavor to locate him through his family as agent has a good contact with family.

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FROM: UNIT 1 & UNIT #3

1-21-1935.

TO: Director  
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Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Edwards  
Mr. Quinn  
✓ Mr. Tamm  
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Unit Four  
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Personnel Files  
Equipment Section  
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Mr. Bryan  
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Mr. Richmond  
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Unit Three  
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Mr. Fagan  
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Mrs. Kelley  
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Supervisor

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If for ESCAPE give date  
held.

and offense for which being

Name and address of parties to be notified of apprehension

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January 24, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, I. O. 1232; ET AL.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping.

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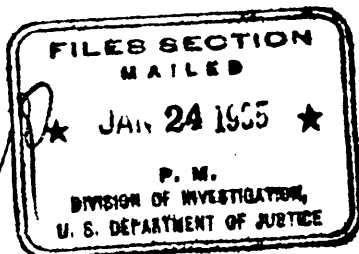
Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
W. L. Buchanan, dated January 18, 1935, at St. Louis, Missouri,  
reporting the results of that Agent's contacts with the members  
of the family of William J. Harrison, father of Willie Harrison,  
who is being sought in connection with the above entitled case.

The Division desires that this surveillance be continued  
until such time as the identity of the Agent appears to have become  
known to the Harrison family.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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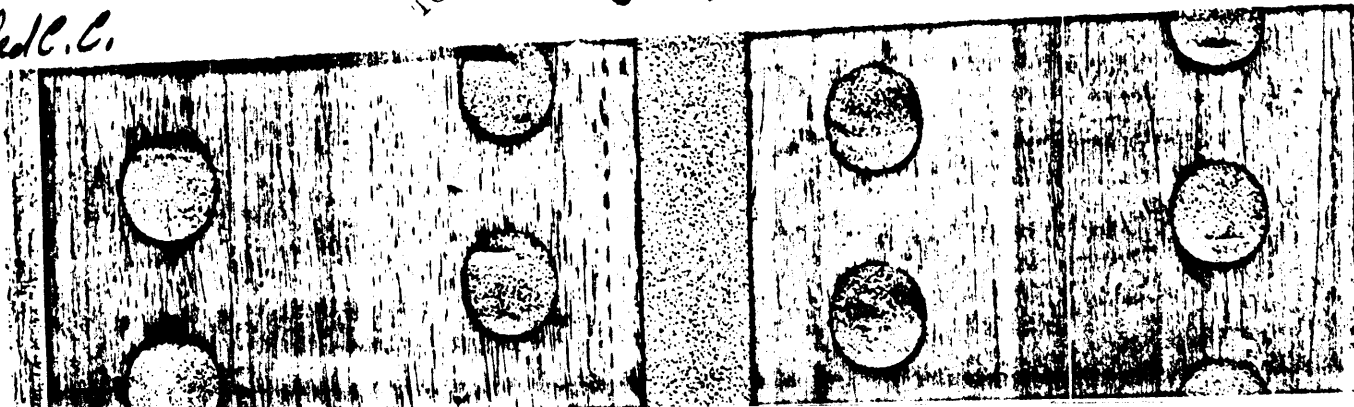
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Laboratory Report

Case: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al.  
Edward George Bremer, Victim

Number: 7-576-3346

Specimens: A. 3 pages from the Dept. of State, State of Missouri, one of which bears the signature of Grace P. Hansen.

Examination requested by: Kansas City Division Office

Date received: January 22, 1935

Examination requested: Comparison of signature with that in our files of Edna Price.

Result of examination:

Examination by: Pickering

*Da Sig. Grace P. Hansen* <sup>(m)</sup> *W a r e*  


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*Mrs Edna Sullivan* *W a . P e*  
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*of the specimens on file in this case*  
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**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.  
January 12, 1935.

ATTENTION: DIVISION LABORATORY.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I O #1219,  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I O #1219,  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, #1213,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, #1232, ET AL,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM; KIDNAPING.

There is transmitted herewith a certified photostatic copy of Certificate of Missouri Title for Pontiac Sedan, Motor No. 1052715, which automobile is the property of one Grace R. Hansen. The certificate of title bears what purports to be the original signature of Grace R. Hansen.

It will be noted that recently information was received from police officials at Pittsburg, Kansas, that this Pontiac car, the license number of which was furnished to this office, was seen in the vicinity of the home of Harry Stanley of Pittsburg, Kansas. Harry Stanley is a brother of Edna Murray, who is thought to be at present traveling with Subject Volney Davis. This automobile is serviced at intervals at the Noel V. Wood Pontiac Company at Kansas City, Missouri, where it was purchased. Arrangements are in effect at this office whereby notice will be given whenever the car appears at that garage again, in order that the individual may be observed and surveillance made.

A specimen of the handwriting in the form of a signature of Edna Murray under her alias Edna Price is in possession of the Kansas City office, and while it does not appear that the signature

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is identical with that of Grace R. Hansen shown on the certificate of title, it is thought that expert comparison in the Division Laboratory should be made to determine whether the signature of Grace R. Hansen is probably identical with either that of Edna Murray or any other of the suspected parties in this case, whose signatures are on file at the Division.

Very truly yours,



R. B. NATHAN  
Special Agent in Charge

WFT-ebc  
cc-Mr. Connelley-Chicago  
Encl-Division

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINN.**

FILE NO. **7-15.** **CW.**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>NEW ORLEANS, LA.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1/15/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1/9-15/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. M. McGRATH</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>M. J. Connell has not appeared at the offices of L. R. Hoover or E. A. Parsons, attorneys, New Orleans, since January 4, 1935. Efforts to locate Mr. E. J. McVay, former associate of Doris O'Connor in New Orleans, have not been successful. No further information could be developed regarding the location of Rex Reiser, with aliases.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b></p> <p>Letter from New Orleans Office to E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Ill., 1/8/35; report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Mo., 1/4/35, and reports of Special Agent J. M. McGrath, New Orleans, La., 12/20/34 and 12/22/34.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA</u></p> <p>Both E. A. Parsons, attorney, Whitney Building, and L. R. Hoover, attorney, Canal Bank Building, have advised that M. J. Connell has not contacted them since his visit on January 4, 1935. They stated that in the event he does call again they will arrange on some pretext to have him call back and will, in the meanwhile, notify the New Orleans Division Office.</p> <p>Extensive but unsuccessful efforts have been made to locate Mr. E. McVay, who, Mr. Hoover states, operates a machine shop somewhere on St. Philip Street or St. Peters Street. McVay is a former friend of Doris O'Connor and her deceased husband, Emory Connell. Mr. Hoover said he had not seen McVay for several years but the last time Mr. Hoover saw him on the streets in New Orleans McVay said he was operating the machine shop but Mr. Hoover did</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>J. W. Magee</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		<div style="text-align: center;"> <b>7-576-2947</b>              BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  <b>JAN 21 1935 A.M.</b>              DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE              ROUTED TO: <i>STAT. SEC.</i> FILE           </div>	
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not have any information regarding its location except that it was supposed to be somewhere on St. Peters Street or St. Philip Street.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Mo., January 4, 1935, requesting that the New Orleans file 31-1843, in which Rex Reiser, with aliases, is the Subject, and Mrs. Elizabeth Allen is the Victim, be reviewed. This file has been heretofore reviewed at the New Orleans office but it contains only four serials which are reports in possession of the Kansas City office, the office of origin. This file contains no information relating to former home addresses of Rex Reiser but it did contain information regarding the criminal record of this individual. All of these records of arrest at New Orleans have been reviewed at the Police Department, New Orleans, and the information procured from the police files was checked and the result set out in the report of this agent dated December 20, 1934, at New Orleans. A review of the file at the office of the Secret Service at New Orleans indicated that in November, 1924, Edward L. Reiser, the father of Rex Reiser, resided at 8000 Independence Road, Kansas City, Missouri.

Maurice Woulfe, attorney, Balter Building, New Orleans, who represented Rex Reiser in a case involving violation of the National Automobile Theft Act, New Orleans file 26-4, which is mentioned in the report of Special Agent J. M. McGrath, New Orleans, La., December 20, 1934, was interviewed and stated that he was on the bond of Rex Reiser in that case and Reiser jumped the bond and was later apprehended by the Secret Service at the home of his father at Kansas City, Mo., some time in 1924. Mr. Woulfe said he has had no contact with Reiser since then and is unfriendly to him because Reiser skipped his bond. Mr. Woulfe said that Rose Chandler was a narcotic addict and a former associate of Reiser but he does not know where she is located and has not heard anything of her for a number of years. He said that he heard about four years ago that Lucille Houston, who has been mentioned as a former associate of Rex Reiser, and Doris O'Connor, is dead.

**UNDEVELOPED LEADS:**

KANSAS CITY OFFICE is requested to endeavor to locate Rex Reiser through his father, Edward L. Reiser, 8000 Independence Road, Kansas City, Mo.

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RAT:CDW

JANUARY 20, 1935

SEND FOLLOWING TELEGRAM TO ALL OFFICES LISTED ON ATTACHED LIST:

BREKID SUBJECTS ALVIN KARPIS AND HARRY CAMPBELL ENGAGED IN GUN BATTLE WITH ATLANTIC CITY NEW JERSEY POLICE DEPARTMENT APPROXIMATELY SEVEN AM THIS MORNING STOP CAMPBELL REPORTED WOUNDED BOTH SUBJECTS MAKING GETAWAY IN PONTIAC COACH BEARING NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE NEW JERSEY LICENSE PLATES A THREE NAUGHT SEVEN THREE PEA GREEN IN COLOR MOTOR NUMBER ONE NAUGHT THREE NINE THREE EIGHT TWO STOP DOLORES DELANEY AND WINONA BURDETTE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY AT ATLANTIC CITY NEW JERSEY STOP NOTIFY ALL POLICE DEPARTMENTS YOUR DISTRICT BE ON WATCH FOR THIS CAR AND ITS OCCUPANTS ADVISING THEM OF DANGEROUS CHARACTER OF OCCUPANTS STOP ARRANGE CONTACTS HOSPITALS YOUR DISTRICT FOR NOTIFICATION IN EVENT CAMPBELL RECEIVED FOR TREATMENT STOP IDENTITY OF OCCUPANTS OF CAR MAY BE DISCLOSED TO POLICE OFFICERS AND HOSPITALS STOP SUBJECTS MAY HAVE CHANGED TO USING FORD V8 DELUXE SEDAN WHITE WIRE WHEELS POSSIBLY BEARING FLORIDA TENNESSEE OR ILLINOIS LICENSE PLATES

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January 18, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Dear Sir:

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KIDNAPING.

JAN 22 1935

Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy, Little Rock, Arkansas,  
communicated by telephone with Special Agent V. E. Peterson of this office  
today, at which time he furnished the following information:

Special Agent Mottel was conducting investigation at Hot Springs,  
Arkansas today, and incidental to other investigation, contacted T. E. PITTMAN,  
General Delivery Clerk, United States Post Office, Hot Springs, Arkansas.  
Pittman stated that a man giving the name of J. BATES resided in Hot Springs,  
Arkansas for a period of two weeks prior to January 13, 1935, at which time  
he departed. Each day that J. Bates was in Hot Springs, he received a  
special delivery letter bearing the return address of 448 St. Peter St. St.  
Paul, Minnesota. One J. E. BATES of Hot Springs, Arkansas, operates the  
Terminal Hotel at that place. On or about January 12, 1935, a letter intend-  
ed for J. Bates, previously referred to, was delivered to the Terminal Hotel  
to J. E. Bates, the proprietor of said hotel. Mrs. J. E. Bates opened the  
letter, inasmuch as she believed that it was intended for her. The letter  
contained the salutation of "Dear Ed": A large part of the letter was dis-  
guised so that anyone reading it who was not familiar with the contents of  
same would not be able to decipher its meaning. Individuals referred to in  
the letter were mentioned by initials, for example: It was stated that the  
writer of the letter had seen F; J; and V. The letter appeared to have been  
written by a woman. Some reference was made in the letter to the Bremer  
kidnaping case, and it stated in substance: "If you were to come in and give  
up it would not win you anything". The letter was signed "Joe". On the day  
following, four St. Paul newspapers, also apparently intended for J. Bates  
were delivered to the J. E. Bates family at the Terminal Hotel in Hot Springs.  
The newspapers contained several Bremer kidnaping articles all of which were  
marked by the person who sent them. On the day the newspapers were received,  
which was about January 13, 1935, they were returned by J. E. Bates, proprietor  
of the Terminal Hotel, Hot Springs, to the Postmaster. Mr. Bates discussed  
them with the Postal Clerk, T. E. Pittman, and he failed to mention it to  
the Postmaster. After they were returned to the Post Office, T. E. Pittman  
gave them to J. BATES, for whom they were originally intended. J. BATES  
apparently immediately left Hot Springs, and in a letter dated January 14,  
1935, addressed to the Postmaster, he instructed that all mail for J. Bates

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should be forwarded to 448 St. Peter St. St. Paul, Minnesota. This letter was signed J. E. BATES. On January 17, 1935, a telegram was received by the Postmaster at Hot Springs, requesting the Postmaster to forward all mail for J. Bates to General Delivery, Kansas City, Missouri. The telegram was signed J. BATES. According to T. W. Pittman two girls were apparently in the company of J. Bates.

J. BATES was described as follows:

Age: 40 to 45 years  
Height: 5 ft. 9 or 10 inches.  
Weight: 150 pounds  
Complexion: Medium  
Hair: Dark  
Face: Slender  
Wore dark clothes, and carried an overcoat over his arm.

Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy communicated by telephone with Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, Kansas City, Missouri, and the Kansas City office is conducting appropriate investigation at that place.

It is requested that the St. Paul office immediately initiate investigation with reference to the address of 448 St. Peter St. St. Paul, Minn. It should be borne in mind that from the nature of the correspondence which was observed by the hotel keeper and his wife, at Hot Springs, the individual known as J. Bates may be a subject in this case. Special Agent in Charge Conroy is proceeding immediately to Hot Springs, Arkansas for the purpose of attempting to develop further information in this matter, and the St. Paul and Kansas City offices, as well as the Division, will be kept advised as to the developments.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.  
(Special Assignment).

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JANUARY 20, 1935.

Please send the following telegram to the addresses listed on the sheet attached hereto:

**CODE**

NOTIFY BY RADIO BROADCAST AND TELETYPE ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICES YOUR DISTRICT TO BE ON WATCH FOR 1935 TWO DOOR ~~BUICK~~ SEDAN MOTOR NUMBER 4949155 SERIAL NUMBER 2783525 LAST SEEN WITH FLORIDA LICENSE NUMBER D-5506 BEARING ALVIN KARPIS I.O. TWELVE EIGHTEEN AND DELORES DELANEY STOP KARPIS REPORTED ACCOMPANIED BY DELORES DELANEY WHO IS IN PREGNANT CONDITION ON VERGE OF CHILD BIRTH STOP NOTIFY ALL OFFICES OF DANGEROUS CHARACTER OF KARPIS TO EXERCISE ALL PRECAUTIONS IN EFFECTING THEIR APPREHENSION STOP CAR AND OCCUPANTS LAST SEEN IN FLORIDA SEVERAL DAYS AGO.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Pursuant to your instructions I called Mr. Harvey and advised him of the lead at Newark, New Jersey the automobile dealer named Leonard Codomo who has a place of business at 317 Central Avenue. I explained to him that Gregory IX Codomo, brother of Leonard, and one Duke Randall went to Florida last Fall and Randall purchased a car from Alvin Karpis and that possibly Karpis has been furnished with the Newark, New Jersey address of the Codomos. I instructed Mr. Harvey to have this address covered as well as the residence address of Codomo.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby  
R. E. Newby

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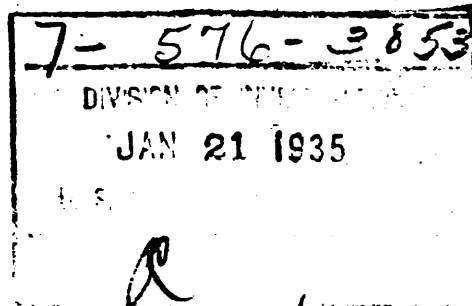
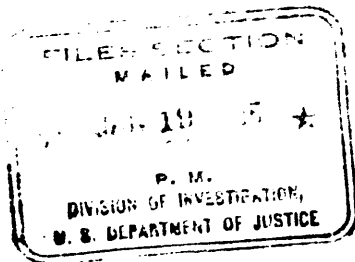
MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY

As you know, "Doc" Barker, one of the participants in the Bremer kidnaping, has been taken into custody and is presently incarcerated in the County Jail at St. Paul, Minnesota. I feel that "Doc" Barker is one of the most dangerous criminals in the country today and accordingly, every precaution should be taken, not only to prevent his escape, from the county jail, but also to prevent Barker's committing suicide. When Barker was placed in the County Jail yesterday, arrangements were made with the Sheriff to employ three special deputy sheriffs, so that one man will constantly remain in front of Barker's cell, keeping him under constant surveillance. The Sheriff's Office is unable to pay the expense of maintaining these three extra guards and accordingly, I recommend that the United States Marshal at St. Paul be instructed to employ three additional deputy marshals to maintain this constant guard of "Doc" Barker. Since the Sheriff at St. Paul has already employed three individuals known by him to be trustworthy, it is suggested that the Marshal at St. Paul be instructed to employ as deputy United States Marshals those individuals who have already been employed by the Sheriff. In view of the urgency of this situation, it is requested that if you approve this suggestion, telegraphic instructions be issued to the United States Marshal at St. Paul this morning, authorizing the employment of these additional deputy United States Marshals.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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The filing time as shown in the date line on full-rate telegrams and day letters, and the time of receipt at destination as shown on all messages, is 5 P. M.

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DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

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ALVIN KARPIS 10 TWELVE EIGHTEEN TELETYPE MESSAGE RECEIVED

BUFFALO PD SUBJECT AND WOMAN WITH HIM STOLE PONTIAC COUPE

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WHICH THEY WERE TRAVELING THERE STOP

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935.

RE: CTK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 5:00 PM

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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Miss Gandy.....

I telephoned Mr. Alt at Jacksonville and advised him that you desired to obtain, if possible, photographs of the house and the premises where the shooting occurred, particularly with reference to the effects of the rifle fire, the machine guns and everything which might prove of interest.

I inquired if the fingerprints of Kate and Fred Barker had been taken. Mr. Alt stated that Mr. Connelley was going to get these; and I advised him that it had been rumored that Barker had tried to mutilate his fingerprints and to be certain that these were taken. Mr. Alt stated that Mr. Connelley had told him that Barker had evidently tried to do this; and that he would get in touch with Mr. Connelley and convey to him your wish with reference to the photographs.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

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January 20, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Mr. Nathan.....
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Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -- I.O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases -- I.O. #1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases -- I.O. #1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases -- I.O.  
#1232; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
VICTIM. KIDNAPING.

There are enclosed herewith, with suitable notations  
attached, 24 photographs of the property at Oklawaha, Florida,  
located on Lake Weir, which was rented from Carson Bradford by  
Fred Barker and Kate Barker.

This shows the house in which Fred and Kate Barker were  
killed on January 16, 1935, during period from 7:30 - 9:00 A. M.

I am arranging to ship on January 21, 1935, by express  
all the seized guns taken in the raid and used by the Barkers, for  
suitable tests in the Laboratory and also for the purpose of bringing  
out the obliterated numbers on same so we may trace them. OK.

There are also enclosed three pictures of Kate and Fred  
Barker.

Very truly yours,

*E. J. Connelley*  
E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
January 17, 1935

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218,  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232,  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1213,  
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,  
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to Division letter of January 8, 1935 in the above captioned case in which I am authorized to pay [redacted] an informant, the sum of \$100.00 in order that he may proceed to Kansas City, Missouri with the view to ascertaining information concerning the whereabouts of members of this gang.

In view of recent developments in this case in other districts I am somewhat reluctant to advance [redacted] his money until I hear further from the Division. It is therefore kindly requested that you inform me immediately whether you feel that it will now be necessary for [redacted] to proceed on this mission for the Division.

Very truly yours,

*Dwight Brantley*  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc St. Paul  
Mr. Connelley, Chicago  
Kansas City

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232,  
et al  
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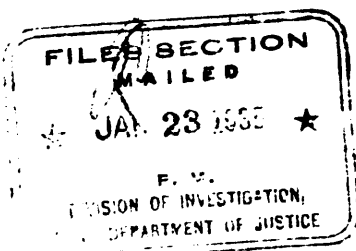
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Reference is made to your letter dated January 17, 1935,  
relative to the employment of [redacted] as an informant in  
connection with the above entitled case.

In view of recent developments in this case, it is not  
desired that informant [redacted] be employed at this time.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-St. Paul  
E. J. Connelley  
Kansas City



Post Office Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
January 18, 1935.

PH:VO  
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Mr. J. D. Wallock,  
Post Office Inspector in Charge,  
Federal Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is respectfully requested that you arrange for a mail cover to be placed upon all mail received at 104 1/2 Commerce, Oklahoma and all mail received by Mr. Lloyd Stanley at that same address, also on all mail received in Box 84, Cardin, Oklahoma, and all mail received by Mrs. J. D. Stanley at that same address, and all mail received at 522 South Cedar Street, Sapulpa, Oklahoma, from all mail received by Lloyd Stanley at that same address. It will be appreciated that mail coverings are made by the respective postmasters and that said mail coverings be forwarded immediately to this office upon receipt of each parcel of mail. Our file number in this case is 7-56.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I remain

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Division

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January 25, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

The Division is in receipt of a copy  
of your letter addressed to Mr. W. B. Hallack,  
Post Office Inspector in Charge, Federal Build-  
ing, Kansas City, Missouri, under date of  
January 13, 1935, in which you request a mail  
cover.

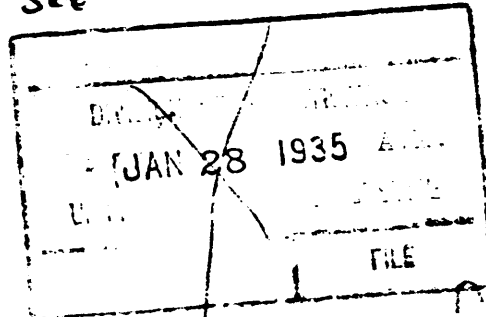
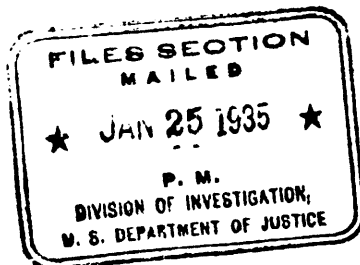
Please be informed that the copy of  
this letter received in the Division bears no  
notation as to the case to which it pertains and  
you are requested to promptly inform the Division  
in this regard.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

January 21, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
U. S. Dept. of Justice Bldg.,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, et al  
Edward G. Bremer-Victim  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Relative to the above captioned case there are  
transmitted herewith copies of the following for the  
Division's information:

7 memoranda dated 1-20-35 prepared by  
Special Agent J. Heffler.

1 memorandum of Special Agent J. R.  
Sharp dated 1-20-35.

1 Statement of Myona Burdette dated  
1-20-35 at Philadelphia, Pa.

Very truly yours,

*R. Whitley*

R. Whitley,  
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum for the File

At about 6:15 AM a code wire was received from the Division re Alvin Karpis, ~~Harry Campbell~~ and Delores Delaney, requesting us to be on the lookout for 1935 two-door Buick Sedan, motor No. 4949155, serial No. 2783525, last seen with Florida license No. D-5306, that Miss Delaney is in a pregnant condition on verge of childbirth. Also that all law enforcement offices should be notified by radio broadcast and teletype.

After de-coding the telegram this information was relayed to the Pennsylvania State Police, Philadelphia Police, Atlantic City Police, for radio and teletype, besides notifying the various bridge and ferry companies in the Philadelphia District.

At about 7:15 AM, Agent was advised that at about 6:50 AM, the Atlantic City Police had had a gun fight with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, that they had taken a LaSalle Car and thinks that three men were in the car. The information with reference to the LaSalle car later proved to be false and is disregarded at this time.

Agent proceeded to call in the various agents, also notifying Mr. E. A. Tamm of the Division and Mr. Pierstone of the New York Office. Agents Sharp, Miller, Meekins and Mills were sent to Atlantic City with Sharp in charge, upon advice from Captain Higby of the Atlantic City Police that Delores Delaney and Winona Burdette had been captured after the gun fight, these two being girl friends of Karpis and Campbell.

Captain Higby later advised that the car in which Karpis and Campbell were last seen was a Pontiac Coach pea-green color, 1933, New Jersey License A-3073, engine No. 1039382, Serial No. 887386, property of one Harold Brand.

This information was immediately relayed to the various interested parties countermanding the request for a search for the LaSalle Sedan.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum for File

Mr. Tamm of the Division advised that the Division desired form waivers on both Winonah Burdette and Delores Delaney in order that they might be transferred from Atlantic City, N. J. to our custody in Philadelphia. This office was advised also by Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey that in order to protect ourselves it was well to receive a doctor's certificate stating that Delores Delaney was in good enough condition to be removed to Philadelphia without any possible serious consequences.

Arrangements were made with Miss Woods of the Hahnemann Hospital, Broad & Race Sts., Philadelphia, to have Delores Delaney placed in a private room, No. 1018, under constant attendance of a special nurse and under the surveillance of two Special Agents at all times. This has been done.

Agent Gerdes proceeded to Atlantic City with waiver forms to be signed by Misses Burdette and Delaney. This office was advised at 5:00 PM by Mr. Sharp from Atlantic City that both girls had signed waivers and were willing to be transferred to Philadelphia, also that Dr. James H. Mason, 1616 Pacific Ave., Atlantic City, N. J. certified in writing that in his opinion Delores Delaney's condition would not be endangered by removing her to Philadelphia and this was substantiated by a written notification of Dr. Carl A. Surran, Surgeon, Department of Public Safety, Atlantic City, N. J.

At 5:00 PM Agent Sharp advised this office that Misses Burdette and Delaney were proceeding to Philadelphia, accompanied by Special Agents U. J. Gerdes and Ross Miller, of the Philadelphia Office, besides Dr. Surran and four Atlantic City police and County Sheriff Born of Atlantic City. The names of the city policeman were not obtained.

The parties arrived in Philadelphia at approximately 7:30 and Miss Delaney was immediately taken to her private room 1018 Hahnemann Hospital and is under the constant care of a nurse and at the time of this memorandum is being kept under the constant surveillance of Special Agents Fay and Knittle of this office.

Miss Burdette was taken into the Philadelphia Division Office awaiting such time when she can be placed in an apartment. Both she and Miss Delaney are being constantly questioned and as of 11:20 PM agents Ross, Miller, Townsend and Thompson are in the process of obtaining a written statement from her.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum for File

During the day the following were contacted either in person or by telephone:

- 1-All Phila. Hospitals with reference to possible Campbell gun wound
- 2-All ferries and toll bridges in the Phila. Office area
- 3-Phila. P. D. for relaying radio cars
- 4-Penna. State Police, Harrisburg, for 8-State teletype relay
- 5-Atlantic City Police for information re gun fight
- 6-Miscellaneous Police Departments in the Phila. District

In constant touch with the Division; Philadelphia SAC Harvey at New York City; Agent Sharp at Atlantic City P. D.; Agent Hood at Newark, N. J.; and one conversation each with SAC E. J. Connelly, Cincinnati, Ohio, and SAC R. A. Alt, Jacksonville, Fla., both calling from Jacksonville, Fla.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum on Call from Agent Sharp, from Atlantic  
City, 11:00 A. M., 1-20-35

After conferring with the Atlantic City, N. J. P. D. Agent Sharp relayed the following information:

On the strength of the teletype sent by the Miami, Fla. P. D. the Buick Sedan, Florida license D-5306, was located in the Coast Garage on South Kentucky Ave., Atlantic City, at about 3:30 AM by Atlantic City Detectives Eddie Mulhern, George Brennan and Archie Whitham and Officers McGaffney and Morinelli, that they also had located the occupants of the car at the Hotel Danmore, 123 S. Kentucky Ave., Atlantic City, although this was about two hours later due to having some difficulty with a bell hop.

After a gun battle with two individuals who escaped, these officers arrested Winonah Burdette and Delores Delaney, the latter having been shot in the leg presumably by Karpis during the gun battle. Winonah Burdette stated that she and Delores Delaney had been staying at the Danmore Hotel, Atlantic City, with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

The police pursued Karpis and Campbell who escaped in a Pontiac Coach color pea-green, 1935 New Jersey license A-3073, engine No. 1039382, Serial 887386, the car being the property of one Harold Brand. The police pursued them down Pacific Ave., Atlantic City, but lost sight of them and are not in a position to tell which way they are headed. The Buick is in the New Deal Garage, N. South Carolina Ave., Atlantic City.

A 0.22 Colt revolver and a 0.22 rifle were found in the car. Winonah Burdette believed that Campbell was shot in the scuffle and may be dead. Karpis had registered in the hotel under the name of Carson and Campbell registered under the name of Cameron.

Mr. Sharp advised that he would relay addition information as he received it.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum of Telephone Conversation with SA Sharp, 11:40 AM,  
1-20-35 from Atlantic City.

Mr. Sharp advised that after the conversation with Winonah Burdette at the Atlantic City Detective Headquarters that she stated she had been picked up in Ponca City, Oklahoma, by Harry Campbell on or about 11-21-34 and taken by him in a Ford car to Florida. While in Ponca City she had been living at a place on South Elm Street and had been broadcasting over Station WBBZ with Jimmie and Eunice Burdette, her sisters.

She stopped at Lake Oklawaha with Fred and Kate Barker remaining there from about November 27, 1934, to last Sunday, January 13, 1935.

On January 9 Alvin Karpis visited them, coming from Miami. On January 13, she and Harry Campbell left for Miami, going to a house in Miami maintained by Karpis. At this place she met Delores Delaney for the first time. They stayed there until Wednesday, January 16, 1935, at which time Karpis and Campbell left in the aforementioned Buick at that time giving the girls a slip of paper with the name Danmore Hotel, Atlantic City, advising them that they would meet them there.

The girls left by train on that date, transferred in Philadelphia, and arrived at Atlantic City about 2:15 PM, Friday, January 18, 1935. They were registered under the name of the Graham sisters.

The men arrived Saturday morning, about 1:00 AM. The men were registered in room 403 and the girls in room 400.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum of Phone Call from Agent Sharp, Atlantic  
City, 2:40 PM, 1-20-35.

Agent Sharp advises that a party by the name of Duke Randall sent a letter to William A. Morley, proprietor of the Danmore Hotel, Atlantic City, advising him that he was sending some friends and that he should see that these parties are referred to a good doctor. That they had been referred to Dr. Carl A. Surran who, incidently, is the Surgeon of the Department of Public Safety in Atlantic City, they having no knowledge that he held that position. This letter was presumed to have come from Randall at the Tamiami Hotel, Miami, Fla. Mr. Morley was of the opinion that Randall could be located in Newark, N. J.

Note: SAC Connelly of the Cincinnati, Ohio, Office spoke with agent from the Jacksonville Office and advised that it was not necessary to attempt to locate Duke Randall in Newark, N. J. since he had an agent keeping Randall under constant surveillance at the Tamiami Hotel, Miami, Fla.; that Duke Randall was employed by the Biscayne Dog Track at Miami, Fla. and in the event there was any possibility that Duke Randall would attempt to leave town he would immediately be picked up.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Summary Memorandum Telephonically Submitted by Agent  
Sharp from Atlantic City, N. J. 7:00 P. M. 1-20-35.

Notes were found in the clothing of Alvin Karpis and in the pocketbook of Delores Delaney indicating that Duke Randall had sent these parties to the Danmore Hotel in Atlantic City to contact Mr. Morley. Duke Randall was known to have lived at the Grant Hotel, Newark, N. J. last October. Ascertained from Morley of the Danmore Hotel that he had received a letter several days ago from Duke Randall on the stationery of the Tammiami Hotel, Miami, Fla. stating that he was sending some friends to the hotel and that Morley should recommend them to a good doctor.

Pictures of Randall were obtained from Robert Brown, 137 S. Massachusettes Ave., Atlantic City, who stated that he played in an orchestra managed by Randall in Atlantic City last year. Randall apparently stayed at the Danmore Hotel while in Atlantic City and is now working for the Biscayne Dog Track in Miami. Copies of these pictures had been sent to the Philadelphia Office by Agent Miller to be used for identification of Randall who is known to have used the alias of Henry Stern.

The Pontiac Sedan, Motor No. 1039382, serial No. 887386, bearing New Jersey License, 1935, A-3073, which was stolen by Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis at the time of their escape from Atlantic City at the Coast Garage, 173 S. Kentucky Ave., was owned by Mrs. Elsie Brand, 44 S. Plaza Place, Atlantic City. He made his escape 5:50 AM after a gun battle with Atlantic City Police, both in the Hotel Danmore and in the streets in the immediate vicinity. The Atlantic City Police took into custody Winonah Burdette and Delores Delaney in room 400 of the Danmore Hotel.

These girls arrived in Atlantic City by train at 2:15 PM, Friday, January 18, 1935, from Miami, Fla. where they had been staying in an apartment with Karpis and Campbell. Winonah Burdette stated she had left Ponca City, Oklahoma, about November 21, 1934, where she had been living on Elm Street with her sister Jimmie Burdette and Eunice Burdette. They were broadcasting from Station WBEZ in Ponca City, Oklahoma. She proceeded with Harry Campbell from Ponca City to the house of Fred and Kate Barker at Okaholawolla, Fla., where she was from approximately November 28, 1934, until last Sunday, January 13, 1935.

Now taking statements from Mr. and Mrs. Morley.

J. R. Sharp,  
Special Agent.

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Memorandum of Phone Call from SAC R. A. Alt, Jackson-  
ville, Fla., 9:50 P. M. 1-20-35

Mr. Alt referred Agent to Bremer Kidnaping Case report of SAC Hanson, Birmingham, Ala., dated 11-23-34, pages 8, 9 and 10, relative to the fact that Duke Randall and Gregory Codomo had entertained one Joe Adams at Newark, N. J. and that Adams was now reciprocating by entertaining Randall and Codomo at the El Commodore Hotel, Miami, Fla. and has been doing so since sometime in November, 1934.

Codomo has a brother in Newark named Leonard who runs the Select Used Car Co., Inc., 317 Central Ave., Newark, N. J. and suggests that a discreet investigation at Newark might reveal a possible contact by Karpis and Campbell since Randall was the person who had written a letter of introduction for Karpis and Campbell to Mr. Morley at the Danmore Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J.

Note: This information was attempted to be immediately relayed to Hood and Martin at Newark and at present word has been left for them to contact this office immediately.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

JH:APG

P. S. After the above memorandum was made Agent was advised by Special Agent Hood that he had received this information from Special Agent in Charge Harvey at New York City and together with five members of the Newark Police Department, was conducting the investigation in Newark.

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Philadelphia, Pa.,  
January 20, 1935.

I, Wynona Burdett, freely and voluntarily make the following statement to A. R. Miller, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, without any threats or promises being made to me and knowing that the same will be used in the courts against me.

My name is Wynona Burdett. I am 21 years of age. My parents are dead and when I am home I stay with my sisters Jimmie and Eunice Burdett on South Elm Street, Ponca City, Oklahoma. After I was released by the Division Agents in Chicago, Mrs. Sawyer, Paula Harmon and myself went to Cleveland, Ohio, and got our personal effects from the lawyer there. Paula went to Beaumont, Texas from Cleveland and I accompanied Mrs. Sawyer to St. Paul where I stayed at her friend's home whose name I do not remember. Mrs. Sawyer gave me \$100 and Paula Harmon had given me \$100. I took a train for Tulsa, Oklahoma, and I stayed with my sister Ruth Whimory on East Second St. one night and then I went to Hominy, Okla. and stayed one night with another sister Esther Wilson and then I went to Ponca City and started living with my other two sisters Jimmie and Eunice. I lived with them approximately six weeks or two months and started to work at the Radio Station W.B.B.Z. at Ponca City as an entertainer.

During the time I was in Ponca I received no word or communication from Harry Campbell by letter or otherwise until one evening a few days before Thanksgiving Day Harry Campbell came to my sister's home and I decided to go away with him again. Harry was driving a 1934 Ford Sedan and it had Florida license plates on it the numbers now being unknown to me. We drove to Oklawaha Lake, Fla. where Fred Barker and his mother Kate Barker had a large house there on the lake. Harry and I lived here with Kate and Fred Barker until about January 13 when we left in Harry's Ford, each of us taking a suit-case for the purpose of visiting Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney who were living in a house in Miami, Fla. During the time we lived in Oklawaha I saw Doc Barker there only once and that was New Year's Day 1935. Slim Gray was with him. They stayed all day New Year's and left that night. They were alone. Harry and I left Sunday the 13th and got in Miami, Fla. that night. I did not know the address where Karpis and Dolores lived but Harry knew it. We stayed there Sunday night and Monday night, Tuesday and Wednesday the 16th. We heard about the shooting at Oklawaha on Wednesday morning over the radio. Dolores and I were at home alone on Wednesday A. M. and Harry and Karpis were out fishing some place. They got in about 7:00 P. M. that evening. We told Harry and Karpis about the shooting and we started making plans to leave Miami. They both went out that night. We made plans for Dolores and I to go to Atlantic City on the train and Harry and Karpis were to drive up and meet us. Harry and Karpis told Dolores and I to register at the Danmore Hotel and ask for a Mr. Morley at this hotel. Harry and Karpis left Wednesday night the 16th, driving for Atlantic City, and were to meet them at the hotel where we would register under the name of Mrs. Graham and sister. The boys did not tell us under what name they were going to register at the hotel. I do not know what Harry did with his Ford car because they came to Atlantic City in Karpis' Buick. We came to Philadelphia, Pa. by train and then transferred to another train for Atlantic City. We arrived

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in Atlantic City on Friday, January 19th, at about 2 P.M. and registered at the Danmore Hotel and received room 400. I was not present when Dolores talked to either Mr. or Mrs. Morley and do not know what arrangements were made by her with them.

Karpis and Campbell got in Saturday morning about 1:00 A.M. and they came to our room. They told us the next morning that they were occupying room 403. Dolores and I did some shopping Saturday morning. He went to bed Saturday night, I sleeping in room 403 with Harry and Karpis staying in room 400 with Dolores. I was in room 403 when I was awakened by Harry who was walking around in the room. It was some time before 6 o'clock in the morning because it was still dark. Harry told me to go down to room 400 and get Karpis. Harry acted sort of peculiar at this time like he was having a nightmare. I ran out of 403 and down the hall to 400. I thought I saw a man on the 3rd floor and I heard voices and I thought it was the officers coming. I knocked on the door at 400 and yelled at him and I said something was wrong and that the cops were coming. He opened the door and ran out of 400 in his underwear and went into room 403. The hall was lighted and I stayed by the door of my room and watched. I saw after a while Karpis in his underwear headed for our room and watched. I saw after a while Karpis in his underwear headed for our room on the run and the cops who were in the hall were shooting at him. I did not see any gun in his hand when he ran toward our room. He almost pushed me over getting into the room. He grabbed his trousers put them on and then ran back down the hall away from our door. I saw both Harry and Karpis disappear down the steps at the other end of the hall. This was the last time I saw either of them. Dolores was hit by one of the bullets fired by the police as I did not see Harry or Alvin shoot at anyone. I do not recall hearing over three shots although there might have been more fired. Dolores and I put on our coats immediately after this and started down the hall in the same direction in which the boys had run. We were in our bare feet with nothing on under our coats but our night gowns. We ran down the steps and out into the street and up the alley. The alley was full of water and gravel and finally Dolores who had been shot in the leg and who was also about ready to give birth to a child said she was getting weak so I said let's go back to the hotel. We then went on back to the hotel to room 400. Dolores went to bed and I dressed. Mrs. Morley had called the doctor and he came soon after. The officers were also there as soon as the doctor arrived. Dolores was taken to the hospital and I was taken to the City Jail. I want to add that after Dolores and I came down the steps and out of the hotel in trying to make our escape there was a lot of shooting around the corner from us.

I have known Harry Campbell for about four years. I know that both he and Alvin Karpis were badly wanted by the Federal Government for crimes charged against them particularly the Bremer kidnapping at St. Paul, Minn. I was conscious of this when I lived with Harry Campbell in Florida and also conscious of it when I agreed to meet him and Alvin Karpis at Atlantic City, N. J. having been advised of the fact by the Chicago Office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, to which organization I previously made a statement concerning my knowledge of the activities of the so-called Karpis-Barker gang. With this knowledge I knowingly told Alvin Karpis that the cops were after him in Atlantic City, N. J. on Sunday morning, January 20, 1935. At the time of my arrest I had two \$50 bills in my possession which Harry had given me. At the time of Harry's escape I believe he had

\$500. I do not know how much money Karpis had.

I have read this statement consisting of three typewritten pages and the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Witnesses:

R. Whitley, Special Agent, Divn. of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice, New York	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
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Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida

January 20, 1935

JLM:HAM.

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases I.O. 1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1213  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O.  
1232; et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

There was found in the home which had previously been occupied by Fred Barker, Kate Barker, Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdett at Oklawaha, Florida, a map of the state of Kansas, which is enclosed. It will be noted that this map contains markings indicating a route from Ottawa, Kansas, to Cherrydale, Kansas, with the writing "16 / 73 W". The significance of these markings is not known, and the map is forwarded for your attention.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Special Assignment)

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218;  
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RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. #1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

As a result of a cover on the mail of the relatives of PHOENIX DONALD, a finding has just been received at this office evidencing the receipt of a letter by Mrs. Eugene Howling, Little Rock, Arkansas, which letter was mailed at Omaha, Nebraska, on January 15th, 1934 and bears the return address "2502 South 15 St., Omaha, Nebr.". For your use the tracing mentioned is enclosed herewith.

There is also enclosed herewith a photograph of Phoenix Donald for your use in making this investigation, in the event you do not have a picture of this individual. You will recall that the Division desires to locate this man as an acquaintance and contact of the Barkers, as well as one of those implicated in the above captioned case.

It is requested that your office make discreet inquiries concerning the author of the letter in question and the occupants of the address on South 23rd Street in Omaha.

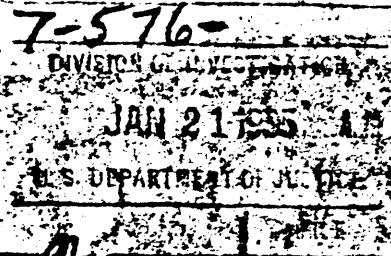
Very truly yours,

E. L. CONROY,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box #812  
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ONE  
January 18th, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1215  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,  
I.O. #1212; ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
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This is to advise that on January 16th, 1935 William H. Bleschke, Assistant Cashier of the Lakeview Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, Illinois, was served with a subpoena requiring him to be in the United States District Court at St. Paul, Minnesota on January 18th, 1935 at 10:00 A. M.

You are further advised, however, that Mr. Bleschke is ill at the present time and it is possible that he will be unable to appear in Court. Mr. Bleschke advised Agent McRae of the Chicago Division Office, who served him with the subpoena, that he was feeling somewhat better today and he will be contacted by telephone in the morning, at which time it will be definitely ascertained whether he will be able to make the trip or not.

The original subpoena served upon Mr. Bleschke, with return thereon, is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

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M. H. PURVIS  
Special Agent in Charge



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Miami, Florida.  
January, 20th., 1935.

Mr. Edgar A. Hoover,  
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Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir;— If you will send one of your trusted Agents to my  
office to see me, contact will be made in connection with the  
recent characters involved on the West Coast of Florida.

Yours very truly,

*W. F. Fox*

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CHARACTER OF CASE: **KIDNAPING**

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ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
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 ET ALI: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER & VICTIM

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Summary of work to be done in the Oklahoma City office district with the view toward apprehending the remaining subjects in this case who have not been killed or apprehended.

DETAILS: At the recent conference in Chicago which was held under the direction of Assistant Director, Harold Nathan, it was decided that each field office which is especially active in the investigation in this case should prepare a summary report of the activity to be done in that respective office. This report, therefore, is a summary of the contacts which have been made in this case in the Oklahoma City district and to the best of the writer's knowledge a list of those persons who are most likely to be contacted should any of the members of this mob come to Oklahoma.

It is to be recalled that the only instance that has been definitely established where any member of this mob has been in Oklahoma since the victim in this case was kidnapped was when Volney Davis and Edna Murray were in Muskogee, Oklahoma ten days in October, 1934 when they stayed with Harry C. Stanley. Stanley has left Oklahoma and there is no real indication that Davis or Edna Murray will return to Oklahoma. It is quite definitely felt by all who have been connected with this case in an investigative capacity that none of the members of this mob are in Oklahoma or making any contacts in Oklahoma. The members of this mob who have been reared or who have operated in Oklahoma, have apparently not made any contact with their friends for from one to several years except as stated above in the case.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: *Wingfield Brantley*

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Davis and Edna Murray. The Oklahoma City office, however, is endeavoring to establish informants who are thought to be in a position to receive information about any of the mob should they come to this district or any information that might be received regarding their activities or the whereabouts of any of them.

The parents of Volney Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney E. (Mandy) Davis, and his youngest sister, Mrs. John (Mildred) Harness, live near Washo, Missouri. He has four other sisters, Mrs. John G. (Bertha) Williams, 456 East Oklahoma Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Mrs. Glenn (Ruby) Lamberson, 1660 East 8th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Mrs. Luther E. (Irene) Hoffman, 416 East Oklahoma Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Charley (Benah) Porter, Oklahoma.

It is felt from all information that has been received, that Volney is closer to his sister, Irene, than to any other member of his family.

Harry Campbell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. (Lissa) Campbell, live at 818 South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. He has two brothers, Clarence "Jack" Campbell, and Clell Campbell, the investigation of whom is being carried on by other Division offices. He has four sisters, Mrs. Howard L. (Myrtle) McNeal, Electra, Texas, and Mrs. J. M. Flanagan, who usually goes under the name of Pearl Campbell, Edith Majors and Laura Campbell. The latter three mentioned sisters make their home with the elder Campbells at 818 South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. At the writing of this report, Laura Campbell is at Mayo Brothers at Rochester, Minnesota but will likely return to Tulsa to her home when she has completed her treatments there.

Edna Murray's father is dead. Her mother, Mrs. M. D. (Lula) Stanley, lives at Cardin, Oklahoma and she receives her mail in Box No. 64. She has one sister, Doris who is usually called Dora, who is thought to be living near Kansas City, Missouri, but her definite address has not been established to this date. She has three brothers, Gloyd Stanley, 522 South Cedar Street, Sapulpa, Oklahoma, Mott Stanley, Box 104, Commerce, Oklahoma, and Harry C. Stanley who recently left a forwarding address from Glasgow, Montana to Cardin, Oklahoma, and it is understood that the Kansas City office is presently in possession of information to the effect that he and his wife have rented a house in Pittsburg, Kansas.

Edna Murray has one son, Preston Patton who sometimes is known by the name of Percy, who is seventeen years old and resides most of the time with his grandmother, Mrs. M. D. Stanley. He makes frequent trips away from Cardin, Oklahoma and it is believed that he visits his aunt, Dora, and probably through his aunt, makes some connection with his mother, Edna. It

is, therefore, felt important that the location of Dora be established at the earliest possible time.

Mrs. Opal Wolfe, a former Postal Clerk at Cardin, Oklahoma is apparently a reliable person and is well acquainted with the Stanley family. She lives across the street, south and a little east of the Stanley home in Cardin and can observe the activities around the Stanley home and has promised to cooperate and advise either the writer or the Oklahoma City office in the event Edna appears there and she is also endeavoring to obtain information as to Dora's address and her last name.

Mr. Guy W. Waite, proprietor of the Miner's Drug Store in Cardin, Oklahoma, and also thought to be reliable, will advise the writer or the Oklahoma City Division office if he receives any information concerning the location of Edna or Davis. Upon previous occasions, someone whom he believes to have been Edna, has called Mrs. Stanley to the telephone at his drug store. He is the Western Union representative in the small town of Cardin and if any information concerning Edna is observed by him regardless of how confidential it is, he has promised to communicate that information to the Oklahoma City office.

Mr. C. E. Burton, Postmaster at Commerce, Oklahoma, has agreed to constantly keep a watch on the mail received by Mott Stanley in Commerce and to advise the Oklahoma City office of any information he might receive.

Police officers Claude Johnson and Floyd Sellers, who are regarded as reliable officers at Sapulpa, Oklahoma, are keeping a close watch on Gloyd Stanley and will advise the writer or the Oklahoma City office if any strangers visit him in Sapulpa. It might be stated that both of these officers are personally acquainted with Edna Murray and Volney Davis and also, as these two persons are well known in Sapulpa, it is not thought likely that they will return there.

Dudley Lester, a law clerk in the office of his father, P. S. Lester, McAlester, Oklahoma, is the person who interceded with the Governor of Oklahoma in obtaining the banishment parole for Doc Barker and the leave of absence for Volney Davis. He has apparently cooperated in the past and has promised to cooperate in the future by relaying to the writer any information he receives regarding the location or the activities of this mob.

Zim Greenwood, who operates a drug store and dance hall at Turley, Oklahoma, is acquainted with most of the members of this mob and especially with Harry Campbell. He has agreed to advise of any information of value that he receives.

[redacted] night club owner [redacted] who has been a fence for and harbored and protected criminals for several

years, has agreed to advise the writer directly or through Deputy Sheriff Gene Haverfield at Nowata, Oklahoma, of any information he receives regarding the activities or the location of this mob. b7c b7d

[redacted] who is more familiarly known as [redacted] who is a younger brother of [redacted] has advised the writer that he will transmit any information regarding this mob that he receives to the writer or to him, through Deputy Sheriff George Tobler of Coffeyville, Kansas. [redacted] knows Jess Doyle and Harry Campbell and feels that he could locate Doyle if his expenses were paid for a short time in Kansas City, Missouri. The Division has authorized the expenditure of \$100.00 in this respect, but since the death of Fred Barker and since more definite and complete information has been received by the Division following some of the recent arrests in this case, this particular angle will be held up temporarily and a letter is being addressed to the Division to ascertain if it is still the wish of the Division that [redacted] proceed to Kansas City in an effort to locate Jess Doyle.

Louis Jacobs, proprietor of the Jacobs Mercantile Store on First Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and manager of the Sunrise Inn, a night club about six miles southeast of Tulsa, Oklahoma, is personally acquainted with Harry Campbell and has admitted his intimacy with Campbell's sister, Laura, during the past several years. He has agreed to advise the writer of any information that he might receive regarding Harry Campbell or any other member of this mob.

Mark Whinnery, Room 5, Fern Hotel, Tulsa, Oklahoma, is married to a sister of Wynona Burdette. Since Wynona has returned to Oklahoma following her release in Chicago, Whinnery has been apprehensive about his wife leaving with Wynona to join members of this mob if either or both of them get the chance. For this reason, he has agreed to, and seems anxious, to impart any information he has concerning Campbell or any other member of this mob. His father, George Whinnery has expressed the same willingness. Mark advised that Wynona Burdette has recently left her two sisters in Ponca City where the three of them were singing for the radio broadcasting station there and that her present whereabouts is unknown. He suspects, however, that she is some place in Tulsa. This angle will be developed vigorously in the near future in an effort to determine the location of Wynona Burdette, as it is possible that if she has left Ponca City, she has again joined up with Harry Campbell.

Grady McMurtrey, who has served time in the Oklahoma prison for bank robbery and knows all of the members of this mob, who originally operated in Oklahoma, has likewise agreed to impart any information he receives concerning this mob.

Earl Hannah, 315 South Frisco Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, has been a close contact for members of this mob in the past years, and it is possible



that he would be contacted if any of this gang returned to Tulsa.

Clarence Smith, who operates a filling station and tourist cabins at the south end of the bridge near Sand Springs, Oklahoma, has been friendly with, and protected members of this mob in past years and is merely another possible contact to bear in mind. He was recently prosecuted for harboring Alvin Purdy, and for this reason may not be willing to protect such criminals as members of this gang.

[redacted] who has been mentioned several times in this case, as a confidential informant who at one time [redacted]

[redacted] He is personally acquainted with Alvin Karpis and Volney Davis and has agreed to advise the Oklahoma City office of any information he receives. He is presently living with his family in [redacted] Oklahoma.

[redacted] appears to be a reliable informant and has agreed to advise the Oklahoma City office of any information of value that she receives. It is not felt that any of the members of this mob will make any contact with her, but she is well acquainted with the underworld in Tulsa, Oklahoma and is likely to receive some word if members of this mob return to Tulsa or vicinity.

Dorothy Karpis, wife of Alvin Karpis, [redacted] lives in [redacted] apartment 10, 121 East Brady Street, Tulsa. She has stated definitely that she would not give any officer any information about the location of Karpis as she still loves him in spite of the fact that she has not seen him for over three years and regardless of the fact that he has apparently deserted her and cares nothing for her. [redacted] however, has promised to advise this office if she hears anything concerning any contact between Dorothy and her husband, Alvin Karpis.

Betty Mann is the manager of the Phoenix Hotel in West Tulsa, Oklahoma and is well acquainted with the underworld in Tulsa and vicinity and has agreed to advise if any of the members of this mob appear there. Ollie Platt is also operating a rooming house in West Tulsa and has likewise promised to cooperate with this Division.

Harvey Fugh, a gambler at Tulsa, Oklahoma, who is well acquainted with Harry Campbell and who has operated with him to some extent, has agreed to advise the writer or former Captain of Detectives, George Stuart of Tulsa, Oklahoma, if he learns of the location of Campbell or any other member of this mob.

Jewell Johnson, former wife of the deceased bank robber, Gene Johnson, is personally acquainted with most of the members of this mob. She has agreed to advise of any information she receives but it is not felt that she is entirely reliable. She has stated that she cares a great deal for Harry Campbell and if she ever gets the opportunity, will leave with him.

Harold ("Fat") Wright, a brother of Glenn Roy Wright, former associate of Harry Campbell, is acquainted with all of the members of this mob who formerly operated in Oklahoma and has been reported to be in contact with his brother, Glenn Roy, who is in the Oklahoma State Prison. Red Andrews, in charge of the Circulation Department of the Tulsa World, daily newspaper, advised Felix Altaffer of the Tulsa Police Department that he was satisfied "Fat" Wright was receiving some word from Harry Campbell.

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[REDACTED] have harbored Harry Campbell upon numerous occasions. They have agreed to cooperate with the writer and with the Oklahoma City Division office and transmit any information they might receive regarding any member of this mob. [REDACTED] is well acquainted with all members of the Wright family which family is apparently very close to the Campbell family in Tulsa. She has been very free in discussing many former activities of Harry Campbell with the writer and it is felt that she will advise of any information she receives.

[REDACTED] have been close associates of Harry Campbell. While [REDACTED] does not believe [REDACTED] are having any contact with any member of this mob at present, she suggests that they be watched closely. The only member of the mob that is likely to contact them is Harry Campbell.

As disclosed in the report of this Agent dated at Oklahoma City, December 6, 1934, [REDACTED] was not entirely truthful, by misrepresenting some information concerning Harry Campbell and it is not felt that he would go out of his way a great deal to transmit any information he might receive concerning Campbell whom he is obviously still protecting by not being willing to transmit what information he knew of him. It is quite apparent, on the other hand, that [REDACTED] will be willing to impart any information she receives, to the writer. She is a rather suspicious and fanatic.

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cal person and it suggested that she be handled with the greatest care as she is probably the best contact in Tulsa who is likely to receive information about Harry Campbell should he return to Tulsa.

Gary Strickland, who drives an Acme Taxi in Tulsa, was reared with and is well acquainted with all of the members of this mob who were reared and operated in Oklahoma. He has hauled them in his taxi upon numerous occasions and he believes that if they return to Tulsa, especially for any length of time, that he will hear from them either directly or indirectly. He has promised to advise the writer of any information he receives and it is felt that he will cooperate fully.

Each of the above informants have been advised of the money the Division will pay for the confidential information which will lead to the apprehension of the members of this mob.

A continued and frequent contact will be kept with the informants mentioned in this report in the Oklahoma City district and the relatives of the respective subjects who are living in Oklahoma will be kept under surveillance either by a secret agent or through the efforts of some of the various informants that have been mentioned herein.

A mail cover is being maintained on the following persons: Volney Davis, 618 South Rockford Street, home of Harry Campbell, 1660 East 8th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, home of Mrs. Ruby Lamberson, sister of Volney Davis. Arrangements are being made at this time for an additional mail cover to be placed on the mail received by Gloyd Stanley and Mott Stanley, brothers of Edna Murray and her mother, Mrs. W. D. Stanley.

All other leads in the Oklahoma City district are being handled as expeditiously as possible.

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Post Office Box #812

Chicago Illinois

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January 18, 1935

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.1218,  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with alia ses, I.O.1219,  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O.1213,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.1232,  
et al. O  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM - KIDNAPPING

Attached hereto please find fingerprint card on  
Harold V. Allderton.

Very truly yours,

*M. H. Purvis*  
M. H. PURVIS *mg*  
Special Agent in Charge

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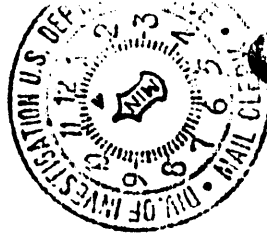
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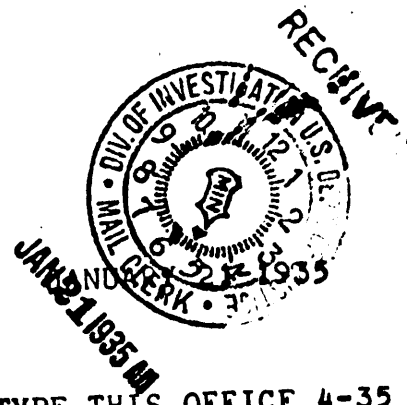
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Post Office Box 812,  
Chicago, Illinois  
January 17, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218, Edward George Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping. For the information of the Division and the St. Paul Office, I am attaching hereto signed copies of the statement of Herman C. Baucke and Edward Reid Moschel. Likewise, I am transmitting herewith copy of the statement of Clara Gibson, Elmer Farmer and Mrs. Edward Reid Moschel.

There is also being attached to both the Division and St. Paul copies of this letter, copy of a memorandum submitted by Special Agent R. D. Brown setting forth his interview with Monty Carter.

Copies of these statements are being forwarded to the St. Paul Office for their assistance in presenting this matter to the Grand Jury. This same information will be covered at a later date in report form.

Very truly yours,

*M. H. Purvis*  
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Chicago, Illinois  
January 16, 1935

I, HERMAN C. BAUCKE, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents R. H. Franke and H. Chaffetz, of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, without threats or promises having been held out to me, and knowing that anything I say herein may be held against me.

My name is Herman C. Baucke, 180 Kay Street, Bensenville, Illinois. I have owned the property at this address for the past 16 years. I inherited the lot from my dad, and I first built a barn on it and then turned the barn into a house. At the present time I have a mortgage of about \$2300.00 on this home, and I also owe for back taxes and assessments. I have insurance on this home for \$2500.00. Since my wife died 7 years ago, I have been living in the room which is on the north end of the house. For about the past 4 years, my daughter Harriet, and her husband Ed. (Fred) Kochel have been living upstairs. Harold Alderton and his mother Minnie Alderton occupied the 5 rooms downstairs for about the past 5 years or so. Some time during May, 1934, I ordered them to move out because they were 17 months behind in their rent, which was supposed to be \$30.00 a month. I rented this home to them furnished.

Alderton was a switchman for the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad Co. at Bensenville, Illinois, before he moved into my home, and as long as he lived at my address he was troubled with heart trouble, and I think he used to do a lot of gambling. When he and his mother left my place they stated they were going to Indiana at some bathing beach that an old fellow had there. The name of the town I am unable to recall. Mrs. Alderton stated to me that she owned land in Indiana, and was attempting to sell it, and she would then pay me my back rent; that Alderton is supposed to have returned to Bensenville during July or thereabouts, 1934, as this is what I heard from some of the boys around town, as Alderton is well known in Bensenville. I understand that Alderton was married but has been divorced, and has two children, one child being born shortly after he came out of the war. Harold Alderton has a brother, Leon Alderton, who works for some telephone company in Indiana, and he has two girls, one about 8 years, and the other about 10, and his children have on several occasions visited at the home of Harold.

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Sometime during December, 1933 or January, 1934, Harold's mother was gone for about 3 or 4 weeks, and then came back home, and then went away again. It seems to me she did not stay home long the second time, and if I remember, she stated she was going either to Detroit or to Indiana to sell her property. During this time while she was gone, I noticed that all the shades in the house were pulled down for sometime. I was not suspicious of anything because I knew that Harold was home alone, and because of the fact that he used to stay out quite a bit. I thought he might be sleeping during the daytime. I do not remember him having any visitors there during that period of time, nor do I recall of any automobiles coming there. While Harold's mother was gone, the light bill ran up to about \$18.00 or so, as the electric light man from the Public Service Company told me this when he was there the second time. This was about the time when the shades were pulled down, and that Mrs. Alderton was gone.

A couple of months before the Aldertons moved out, I was advised by Mrs. Alderton that about 2 o'clock one morning some one rapped at her door, and she did not admit them, but, however, later on she learned that it was some member of the Dillinger gang.

I have been shown photographs, and I am unable to make any identifications.

A railroad man by the name of "Frankie", who is a switchman for the same railroad company at Bensenville, is a good friend of Alderton, and might know of his whereabouts.

When the country went wet, Herman Languth, who lived on Rose Street about one block from my house, handled the agency for Birks beer, and he took in Harold Alderton as an Agent, and purchased Alderton a Hupmobile 8 coach, black color. I understand this car was registered in the name of Alderton, and I believe that he still has this car. This car he used to park out in the yard, and never kept it in the garage.

Mr. Cord, a barber is now living downstairs at 180 May Street, and has been for the past 5 months. I have owned a part chow and collie dog for the past 5 years, and Harold Alderton also raised cockerel spaniels while he lived at this address. I believe

that Aldertons purchased their groceries from either the National or A. & P. stores in Bensenville. About a month after Alderton moved out, I papered the living room, the north bedroom, and the southwest bedroom, but I did not paper the small bedroom, which is south of the bathroom. This new wall paper I purchased from Sears Roebuck & Co., Chicago, but as to the wall paper in this small bedroom I cannot recall where same was purchased, nor when this room was last papered.

I would describe Harold Alderton as being about 37 or 40 years, about 5'5" tall, weighing 145 to 150 lb., slender build, dark hair, light complexion, has small mustache. His nationality is unknown to me. Has thin face. Did not wear glasses.

His mother, Mrs. Mimmie Alderton is in her fifties, is about 5' tall, weighs about 140 lb., is of medium build; don't recall color of hair; light complexion; was always dressed nice. I understand she was married to some man in North Dakota, who is Harold's father, but that she divorced him, and then re-married; that she has two sons, Harold Alderton and Leon Alderton.

I have read the foregoing statement, consisting of 2 pages, and hereby state that it is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*Rayman C. Baucke*

WITNESSES:

*R. M. Franke*  
R. M. Franke, Special Agent  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Ill.

*M. Chaffetz*  
M. Chaffetz, Special Agent  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Ill.

Chicago, Illinois,  
January 16, 1935.

I, EDWARD REID MOSCHKE, without any threats or promises having been made to me, voluntarily make the following statement to V. W. Peterson, whom I understand to be a Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

I, together with my wife, Harriet Baucke Moschel, and her father, Herman Baucke, reside at 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois. My father-in-law, Herman Baucke, owns this place. I have lived on the second floor at 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, with my wife for a period of over four years, having moved there about Labor Day in 1930.

When I moved to 180 South May Street at the time indicated the lower part of the house situated at that address was occupied by Harold Alderton and his mother, Minnie Alderton. Harold Alderton was formerly married but is separated from his wife, and he lived at 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, together with his mother, until approximately May, 1934. Prior to moving to 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, Harold Alderton was employed as a switchman for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad in Bensenville. To my knowledge he did not work during the time that he resided at 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois.

I remember having read numerous newspaper accounts during January of 1934 to the effect that one Edward George Bremer had been kidnaped in St. Paul, Minnesota. At the time that Bremer was being held by his kidnapers I noticed that there was a visitor in the Alderton home. At that time Minnie Alderton, the mother of Harold Alderton, was absent from home. I knew that someone was visiting in the Alderton home, however, because I could hear that the toilet in the Alderton home on the first floor at 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, was being flushed a greater number of times than usual. I also noticed that even though Harold Alderton was absent from his home, there was always someone present in the house. Under ordinary circumstances, when Harold Alderton was home the window shades would be pulled up. However, during the time that the papers were carrying the account that Bremer was still being held by his kidnapers, I noticed that the shades to the windows of the Alderton home were always pulled down. I also noticed that almost immediately after Bremer had been released according to newspaper accounts, that the suspicious circumstances surrounding

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the actions of the occupants of the Alderton home ceased.

The identity of the visitor or visitors at the Alderton home at the time indicated was not known to me, and I did not see any of the people who may have been staying with the Alderton family at the time.

Within possibly two days or so after I noticed that the visitor or visitors at the Alderton home had departed, Harold Alderton left the place, ostensibly to visit the place where his mother was staying in Indiana, the name of the town not being known to me. About two weeks later Harold Alderton and his mother, Minnie Alderton, returned to their home at 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois.

During the time that Harold Alderton lived at 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, I noticed that a number of tough-looking characters visited him at his home. The only close associate of Harold Alderton known to me is one Elmer Farmer, who also resides in Bensenville, Illinois.

During the time that Harold Alderton lived at 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, he raised cockerel spaniel dogs. He kept one female called "Dot" all the time, and usually had five or six pups around the place. Each of the pups also had a name but these are not known to me.

Since December 19, 1933 I have been employed by the Illinois Emergency Relief, and I am still employed by that commission. From December, 1933 until April 1, 1934 I left home each morning about 7:00 or 7:15 A.M., and returned home each night about 6:00 P.M.

I was formerly married to Ruby Moschel, who now resides at 409 North High, Calena, Illinois. My two children, Jeanne Moschel, age 16, and Donald Moschel, age 15, live with Ruby Moschel at the given address. I have no children by my present wife.

Harold Alderton has two children, a girl about 11 or 12 years of age, and a girl, age 9 years. To the best of my recollection neither of the Alderton children nor my own children visited at 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, during the months of December, 1933 to February, 1934.

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However, Carol Barnes, age 6, who is the daughter of my wife's sister, Mrs. Helen Barnes, calls at my home practically every day. This child undoubtedly called at my home almost every day during the months of December, 1933 to February, 1934, and two other children who live in the neighborhood and who are about the same age usually accompany Carol Barnes to my home.

I made the above statement of my own free will, after which I have read same, and to the best of my knowledge it is true.

*Edward Reid Moschel*  
EDWARD REID MOSCHEL

WITNESSES:

*J. W. Peterson*  
J. W. PETERSON,  
Special Agent,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

*M. Chaffetz*  
M. CHAFFETZ,  
Special Agent,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.



Chicago, Illinois

January 16th, 1935

I, Mrs. Edward Reid Moschel, age 28, of 180 South May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, make the following voluntary statement to J. E. Mathis and E. J. Abbaticchio, Jr., who I know to be Special Agents, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice:

I have been married for six years and I live at the above address with my husband and my father, Herman Baucke, who owns the house. Since October of 1930, we three occupied the second floor of the dwelling and my father rents out the lower floor. In either March or April of 1933 the lower floor was rented to a Mrs. Minnie Allderton, who is about fifty-four years of age and her son, Harold, the rental being \$20.00 a month.

My husband, who formerly worked for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad, has known Harold Allderton for approximately twelve years, the latter having worked as a switchman in the railroad yards at Bensenville. In either May or June of 1934 the Alldertons moved from our house to some place in central or southern Indiana and left owing my father about seventeen months back rent.

Since I have lived with my father, neither of the Alldertons were regularly employed. However, it is the general opinion of the neighbors and of myself that these individuals were selling beer and liquor. They apparently operated at all hours, having a number of visitors, nearly all men; mostly those who worked for the above-named railroad. I have also heard that Harold gambled at various places in Bensenville and made some money that way. I also know that the Alldertons raised cocker spaniels and sold them as a further means of livelihood. My father allowed these people to remain in the house without paying rent for so long a time for the reason that Mrs. Allderton many times mentioned the fact that she owned some property, which I believe was land, somewhere in Indiana, which property she was about to sell and intended to pay my father the back rent out of the proceeds thereof.

Although these people left our house last summer without telling me where they were going, Mrs. Allderton told my father that they were going to a summer resort somewhere in Indiana, where Harold was to take charge of the boats and the fishing. We have not heard from them since they left, although Harold has been in Bensenville on several occasions, the last to my knowledge having been in the early fall of 1934, at which time he talked with Mrs. Emil Corlow, who lives two doors from me on May Street, telling her that he intended to return to Bensenville to live probably in November of 1934.

Harold Allderton has a brother Leon, about thirty-two years of age and married, who has a position with the telephone company, I believe, as wire chief, in Kokomo, Indiana. At the time the Alldertons moved from our

house, Leon and his wife came to Bensenville and moved their effects from my house in his car, and Harold's car, which he had owned from approximately the fall of 1933, was a black Buick Sedan, 5-Passenger, either a 1930 or 1931 model.

For a period of approximately three weeks beginning about the middle of January, 1934, there were apparently a number of people staying in the Alldertons portion of our house. During this period I never saw anyone enter or leave the house except Harold Allderton. During this period I judged that there were several other people staying there as I heard the toilet flush a great number of times and also heard the water running in the bathroom and the kitchen quite often. Also, the shades in all of the windows in this portion of the house were drawn at all times during this period. During the time that these people were at the house, Mrs. Allderton was not there, she having gone away approximately two weeks before and having returned for one day only about three days prior to the time that they arrived. Harold Allderton told my husband and myself several days before these people apparently arrived that he had just taken his mother to the depot, she having departed for Indiana. I think that she went either to visit her other son, Leon, or to the home of her sister, whose first name is Nora and whose husband was called Chet. I believe that these people live in either Kokomo or Marion, Indiana.

The first circumstance that caused me to believe that there were persons visiting Harold occurred on what I believe a Wednesday evening, when my husband knocked at the Alldertons' entrance to the house to request something of Harold. At this time Harold, instead of inviting my husband into the house as was his custom, requested that he wait a minute, then closed the door between the kitchen and living room and left my husband standing outside while he went into the house and got his whatever was requested, probably a bottle of beer. My husband told us about this and we concluded that Harold must have company.

It was, I believe, on the next day, which I think was Thursday, that I noticed that the blinds to all of the Alldertons' windows were drawn. During the entire three weeks, during which these blinds remained drawn, I heard no voices downstairs, but once in a while heard footsteps. My impression at that time was that there were a number of people downstairs but that they were purposely being quiet. One night I heard a man cough in the bedroom, which is below that of myself and husband. During this three-week period I noticed no strange car near our house.

The fact that people are cooking downstairs is never noticeable to us. However, these people could not have cooked on the gas stove as the gas was shut off during this period, but might have cooked on electric plates, of which there was one, which was furnished the Alldertons with the apartment. I believe that this occurred for the reason that after these people left the inspector for the electric light company called to check



the wiring and electric meter, stating that the bill was unusually large, presumably for the month of January, it running around \$18.00.

As I have stated, the only person that I ever saw leaving the Allerton's entrance during this period, was Harold, he leaving the house each day as was his custom at this time at around 1:00 P. M., usually driving off in his car. I rarely saw him return, so conclude that he returned during the evenings. However, one day I saw him come in with a bag which apparently contained groceries and also a newspaper. Harold never acted in a suspicious manner during these trips.

At one time during the three weeks, as I was passing the entrance to the Allerton's portion of the house, I saw the fingers of what appeared to be a man's hand pulling back the blind on a living room window. Someone apparently had looked out to see who was passing.

At the end of one day, at the conclusion of this period, I heard a number of drawers banging downstairs around 5:00 or 6:00 P. M., it then being dark. I then heard a car drive up to the Allerton's entrance and looking out of my kitchen window observed that it was a large, dark-colored Sedan then without lights. It was headed toward the back of our house. I then saw a man, who had apparently come out of our house, walk around the front of the car with a suitcase in his hand and place the suitcase in the left rear door of the car. I can describe this man only as being of medium height, about 5'9", wearing a dark, soft hat, an overcoat, and being of rather stocky build, weighing probably at least 170 pounds. After observing this I stopped looking out the window but heard the voices of at least two men talking, apparently beside the car, after which I heard the car drive away. This car drove away sometime between 5:30 and 6:00 P. M.

Between fifteen minutes and half an hour later, I heard a car come back to the same entrance and remembered that if it were the same car it would have had time to have gone to Elmhurst and back. I merely glanced out of the window at the car to see whether or not it was my husband returning and my impression is that this was the same car which I have just described. At this time I heard no voices, nor did I hear anyone enter the car, nor did I see the car drive away again. However, about half hour after this my husband came home and I do not know whether the car was still standing there when he arrived. I told my husband that I guessed the company had left. It was probably on the following day that I next saw Harold Allerton, who acted as usual. I did not ask him any questions relative to the persons who had apparently been visiting him.

I estimate that it was not until about two or three weeks later that Mrs. Allerton again came back to our house. It was on the day following the departure of this car as above-mentioned, that I saw in the papers Edward G. Bremer had been released by the kidnapers and I discussed with my

husband the possibility that Allderton's visitors might have been holding him at our house, but we decided to say nothing about it, as we believed it would be best for our safety if we minded our own business. During the time these people were at the house I had not at any time heard their telephone ring, although I believe that they had one which was connected.

The Special Agents have shown me a number of photographs of various individuals and have requested that I might point out any that I have seen before, whether a visitor of Harold Allderton or not. However, I can only say that I believe that I have seen the men known as Harry Sawyer and William Harrison. I do not know where I have seen them, nor do I recall that they ever visited Harold Allderton. I can also say that the faces of Fred and Arthur R. Barker are familiar to me, but I believe that I have seen their pictures possibly in the newspapers rather than the men themselves.

I can describe Harold Allderton as follows:

Age	25-27
Height	5'7 1/2"
Weight	135 lbs.
Build	Slim
Hair	Black, slightly curly - (I believe worn combed straight back)
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Fair
Mustache or Beard	Small black mustache - otherwise smooth shaven, but beard heavy
Teeth	Fair
Peculiarities	Slightly stoop-shouldered - walks slowly - usually accompanied by cocker spaniel called "Dot", not on leash
Nationality	American - (I believe of Irish descent)
Occupations	Former railroad switchman
Marital Status	Divorced, I understand, and has two little girls, around 10 or 12 years old. Children probably with ex-wife somewhere in Indiana. Latter now married again
Relatives	- Mother: Mrs. Minnie Allderton Brother: Leon Allderton, Kokomo, Indiana Father: Address unknown

Mrs. Allderton has told me that Harold served in the Army during the War and went overseas; also that he had been confined either the winters of

1931 and 1932 or 1932 and 1933 at the Great Lakes Veterans' Hospital, where he was treated for an ulcerated stomach.

Harold's most intimate acquaintance in Bensenville is, I believe, Elmer Farmer, at whose tavern Harold often visited. I do not know the names of any other good friends of Harold in Bensenville, but know that he was well known to the majority of the railroad men there.

I have read the foregoing statement, consisting of four and one-half typewritten pages and now state that the facts contained therein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Witnessed by:

E. J. ARMATICCHIO, JR., Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Chicago

J. R. EATLES, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Chicago

January 11, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE E. J. CONNELLEY

In interviewing Monty Carter today the following information was obtained from him by the writer and Special Agent J. L. Madala. The information is brief and not in detail at this time, due to the fact that Monty is mentally fatigued due to lack of sleep and anxiety.

He first advised that the principal reason for his giving the following information was to prevent the possible killing of more Special Agents. He, therefore, furnished the following information with reference to the present location of the remaining members of this gang. He advised that "Doc" Barker and Slim Gray left Chicago, Illinois, on the night of December 25th; that he did not know where they were going, but that they drove Ford V-8 sedan, bearing Illinois license plates No. 1-266-231.

He advised that he, Monty, and Willie Harrison left Chicago, Illinois, in Ford V-8 Victoria, bearing Illinois license plates No. 1-289-927, on 12/19/34, for Miami, Florida, arriving there on about 12/22/34, where he spent Christmas with his wife and children at the Dorn Hotel, where they are now living. He advised he picked his wife and children up at St. Petersburg, Florida, where they were residing at the time, and took them to Miami. He stated Willie Harrison stayed at the El Comodoro Hotel, which he believes is managed by Joe Adams, who, according to Monty, is the gang's Florida contact; that he gathered this information through conversation with Willie Harrison, who is well known to Adams. He advised that when he left Chicago, Illinois with Willie Harrison he informed Doc Barker of his intentions of going to Florida to visit his family and Doc Barker suggested that he take Willie Harrison with him; that he, Monty, believes that Doc Barker sent Willie Harrison with him in order to watch him, as it is his opinion that members of the gang do not trust him implicitly as they do Harrison. He advised that he saw no members of the gang while at Miami, Florida.

He stated that he and Willie Harrison left Miami, Florida, to return to Chicago, Illinois, on 1/2/35; that the first day they drove from Miami, up Highway #41 to Lake City, Florida, where they spent the first night; that the distance was considerably more than 400 miles; that they started the next day about 10:00 o'clock in the morning and drove until approximately 2:00 o'clock that afternoon on Highway #41 to a point approximately 30 to 50 miles South of Macon, Georgia, where they stopped at a pecan ranch, having more than 4,000 acres of pecan trees; that this pecan ranch was near Lloyd's Pecan Ranch, which is also near Macon, Georgia. He was unable to give any further information as to the exact location of

this pecan ranch, but stated it could be easily located by inquiry at or near Macon, Georgia. He advised that while at this pecan ranch at about 8:00 P.M. on the second day after their departure, Slim Gray and Doc Barker drove up to their car; that he and Willie were surprised to see them, but it is possible that Willie Harrison had made contact with Joe Adams of the El Comodoro Hotel, in Miami, who had possibly arranged this meeting without his, Monty's, knowledge. He stated that the car being driven by Slim and Doc was not dusty or dirty; that they advised they had "left", place of departure not known, at 8:00 o'clock that morning. When questioned as to the place of Doc and Slim's departure, Monty Carter made the following comments relative to its location:

He stated that during his return trip both cars kept comparatively close together and that he overheard conversations between Willie Harrison, Doc Barker and Slim, during which they talked about "the lake", which they described as a large fresh water inland lake, somewhere near Jacksonville, Florida, as they mentioned going into Jacksonville; that the conversation indicated that this lake was considerably remote from any town; that it was in that section of Florida where good deer hunting can be found as they stated they killed three deer and that they brought back to Chicago with them a considerable portion of deer carcass; that they also brought back fresh water fish which they had caught. He stated that they appeared very much interested in an old alligator in this lake known throughout that community as "Big Joe"; that the boys had attempted to catch this alligator and had placed a small pig in a barrel for bait, but that "Big Joe" got the bait and did not get caught. He further advised that the boys had a motor boat on this lake; that they lived in either one or two houses on the lake. He advised that he gathered that the lake was not far distant from Highway 41. As to the identity of the members of the gang now at this lake, Monty advised that from the conversations he had with the boys, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Barker are at this lake. He stated he also overheard a conversation to the effect that Freddie Barker has a small Buick coupe with him and that the car is not hot; that the license plates were obtained in Tennessee. He advised that it is his opinion that this lake can be located by driving from six to eight hours south of Highway 41 from Macon, Georgia, and making inquiries in that vicinity concerning a lake in which there is an alligator famous to persons in that community known as "Big Joe". He further advised that he recalls that Slim and Doc had picked some coconuts near the lake, which they had brought back with them, and further that Slim made the comment that it was wonderful country for hunting and fishing, and that he would like to live there.

He further advised that Willie Harrison told him that during the late summer of 1934 he was in Havana, Cuba, where he saw Ray Karpis and Dolores; that persons known to him only as Art and Jimmie, who operate a large gambling establishment just outside the city of Cleveland, Ohio, have

a gambling concession in Havana, and that Willie spent some time at this place. He stated that it is his belief that when members of the gang were "jumped up" at Cleveland, Ohio, by Federal officers, they immediately went to Havana, Cuba, where they were given protection through contacts of Art and Jimmie. He stated that he does not know definitely whether or not other members of the gang other than Willie and Karpis were at Havana, but expects that they were.

With reference to Willie Harrison he stated that Willie frequently makes trips to Detroit, Michigan, where he sees a man by the name of Cash, who is a prominent man and whom he, Monty, believes changed a portion of the ransom money; that Willie also contacts persons in Toledo, Ohio, known to him only as Art and Shimmy; that the gang's contact in San Francisco is "Soap", other name unknown. He further advised that he has recently heard Doc and Slim make the remark that they wonder where "Sealion", who is Harry Sawyer, is now located, and that Willie spoke up and stated that "Sealion" is now probably working for Frank Foster, the gang's New York City contact; that he has heard the boys state that Gladys Sawyer is now with Harry.

With reference to Volney Davis, Monty advised that it is his understanding that Volney had some trouble with other members of the gang and has not been with them since the early summer of 1934. He further stated he has heard no mention made of Volney Davis and has no idea as to his whereabouts. However, he advised that Volney Davis is a wanderer and drives continually from one city to another, wrecking many automobiles.

Monty Carter then furnished the following skeleton information concerning the Bremer kidnaping:

He advised that on January 7, 1934, he received a telegram and \$50.00 from Fred Goetz, whom he had known for several years, instructing him to come to Chicago at once; that upon his arrival in Chicago, Goetz asked him to take care of his wife for a few days and help her move when this action became necessary. He advised that Goetz failed to mention the nature of the "job" he was going on and that it was his understanding that Goetz asked him to come to Chicago in order that he, Goetz, might fulfill his promise to set up Monty in a tavern business in Chicago. He advised that he lived at Goetz' home and that after being there for about a week he drove with Goetz to Bensenville, Illinois, where they went to a house where the gang was holding a kidnaped man. He advised that this was the first that he had learned concerning the kidnaping. He advised that he saw at this house Ray Karpis, a man known to him as "Lapland Willie" (Bill Weaver) and Doc Barker. He advised that he later learned that this house is a rebuilt barn;



that same is unpainted and has a two car garage in the front, which garage is a part of the house and constitutes a part of the first floor of the structure; that the garage is on the North side of the house, which is a two story affair; that there is an apartment on the garage second story where a man and his wife resided, who are still living there and whom he believes have two children. He stated that in the rear of the house, first floor, lived a man by the name of Ellerton, who was unmarried and lived alone in the three rooms of that section of the house. He stated that in order to enter the house it was necessary to step up two or three steps; that Ellerton is a friend of Elmer Farmer of Bensenville and that Fred Goetz had Elmer Farmer arrange for the hideout. He stated that the house is the second house from the corner just off York Street on a street, the name of which he cannot recall, but that there is a filling station on this street near this house and this street is a street which passes the roundhouse. He advised that the above description would undoubtedly lead Agents directly to the place, as there is no other house similar to it in Bensenville. He advised that when entering the house, the portion occupied by Ellerton, it is necessary to enter from the side and to pass through a kitchen before entering a small living room, and that a bedroom is located to the left of the living room when entering the door, where victim Bremer was held. He advised he did not see Bremer while in this room of the hideout as the doors were closed on each occasion of his two visits. He stated that he understands that Ellerton is no longer residing in this house, but still lives in Bensenville and can easily be located. He described him as being about 40 years of age, slender build, sandy hair, blue eyes and of Scotch descent. He stated that Ellerton has a spaniel dog which he recalls the boys called "Pancho". It will be recalled that victim Bremer often heard the name "Pancho" mentioned.

He stated that on the occasion of his second visit to the hideout, which was on or about February 7th, he was requested by Fred Goetz to drive his, Goetz', car a 1933 model Chevrolet coupe, to the hideout up in Bensenville; that upon arriving there he found Fred Goetz, Doc Barker, Bill Weaver and Harry Campbell; that he saw Fred Goetz and Bill Weaver take victim Bremer, who had goggles on his eyes, from the hideout to the Chevrolet coupe, after which they drove away. He advised he understands that they drove to a point a few miles away, where they entered the Buick sedan belonging to one of the Barkers, which was used in the kidnaping. He further stated that members of the gang parked their automobiles in the garage located within the house above mentioned. He stated he never saw Elmer Farmer at the hideout.

Monty advised that Fred Goetz and other members of the gang told him that Doc Barker, Harry Campbell and Bill Weaver returned victim

Bremer to Rochester, Minnesota from Bensenville, Illinois; that the ransom notes were all prepared by Fred Goetz; that the payoff and release were arranged by Fred Barker, Volney Davis and Alvin Karpis. He advised that Fred Goetz told him that the fingerman in the case was Harry Sawyer.

Monty stated that he played no other part whatsoever in the kidnaping; that he stayed in Fred Goetz' house, took care of his wife, moved Mrs. Goetz soon after the kidnaping into another apartment, and on the day after Bremer's release was given \$3,000 by Goetz, after which he returned to Phoenix, Arizona, where his family was residing.

Monty further stated that he understands that Dolores Delaney is to have a baby this month; that he does not know what arrangements have been made for her hospitalization. He also stated that he recalls members of the gang stating that Alvin Karpis was driving a Pontiac coupe.

Carter advised that upon having some rest he might be able to recall further details which would possibly give a better location of the gang's present hideout and that he will go into more detail concerning the kidnaping.

R. D. BROWN,  
Special Agent,

RDB:MG



1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago, Illinois  
January 16, 1935

I, ELMER FARMER, do make this free and voluntary statement to  
F. R. McIntire, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S.  
Dept. of Justice, without any threats or promises of any kind,  
in the knowledge that the same may be used against me.

My full name is Elmer Charles Farmer, born Prairie du Chien,  
Wis., on March 10, 1893. I will be 42 yrs. of age on March 10,  
1935. My parents are both deceased. At about 5 yrs. of age  
my family moved to Chicago where I grew up. I attended school  
at Cyprus and 12th Street, Chicago, a Catholic school, and  
then attended Hays school at Leavitt and Fulton Streets. I  
attended school as far as the 8th grade, and no further.

In 1915 or 1916 I started buying and selling "hot" cars. In  
1918 I was convicted on this matter and sentenced to serve two  
years in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Ill. I  
should say that I was sentenced to serve from one to twenty  
years and actually served two years.

I have one brother, James Farmer, living with me at 194  
Addison St., Bensenville, Ill. I have one sister, Mrs. Clifford  
(Blanche) Brabant, 275 Nevada St., Alhambra, Ill.

My brother James is now operating a Tavern called Elmer's Tavern  
at 126 E. Green St., Bensenville, Ill. I am associated with him.  
I also have some slot machines operating at various taverns. I  
operated a few "speak-easies" during Prohibition days.

I have known George Zeigler, alias Fred Goetz, for the past six  
or seven years. I met Zeigler through a "rum runner" named  
Harold Conliff through whom I bought liquor in Prohibition days.  
Zeigler was a syndicate man.

About 2 1/2 years ago in the summertime, Goetz brought Monte Carter  
to my tavern. In speaking of playing golf I told Zeigler that  
I was a member of the Mohawk Country Club, located on Irving Park  
Boulevard and Church Road in Du Page County. They both wanted  
to play golf there, so I arranged for their membership. This was  
my first meeting with Monte Carter. This is the only club I ever  
got Zeigler or Carter into.

Goetz  
Carter

7-576-3869

Monte Carter and I knew each other largely through the slot machine business. He had slot machines in Appleton, Wis. He usually went to Phoenix, Arizona, in the winter time for his health.

I have known Harold Allerton (whose name might be spelled Alderton) for about 10 years. He was a switchman for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry at the Terminal in Bensonville, Ill. He is a World War veteran, having been afflicted with gas during the war. He receives compensation from the Government. He was treated at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, I believe. His home town is Marion, Indiana. He has a brother who works for a telephone company in Indiana. Allerton left Bensonville, Illinois in the early summer months of 1934 and went to Marion, Ind. Allerton had lived with his mother in Bensonville, Ill., in a house, the address of which is not known to me, but which house I can identify as a house in which Edward George Bremer of St. Paul, Minnesota was held a kidnap victim.

Shortly before Christmas of 1933, George Zeigler and another man, whom I now identify from photographs as being Fred Barker, came to my saloon known as "Elmer's Tavern". They were riding in a 1932 Chevrolet Coupe owned by George Zeigler. Fred Barker was introduced to me as "Freddie". Zeigler said he would like to get a place out there (meaning Bensonville) where he could keep some men for a week or ten days. I said I didn't have a place. Then Coetz said "How about Allerton--is he still living over there?" I said, "Yes". Then Coetz said, "Well, maybe we can get a place up there for the men to stay." (It is understood that Coetz and Zeigler are one and the same man.) As I recall I went up to Allerton's and got him and brought him down to my saloon to talk with Zeigler. Zeigler made it plain to me that he had some "hot" people he wanted to hide out for a few days. When Zeigler and Fred Barker made their arrangements with Allerton, they gave Allerton the same explanation. Zeigler told Allerton that they would be in any time soon.

I saw Zeigler, Fred Barker and a party from whose photograph I recognize as Alvin Karpis, alias Ray, around Bensonville and around Allerton's house several times before Bremer was kidnaped. I was in Allerton's house with either Ray Karpis or Fred Barker

before Bremer was held in Allerton's house. On these visits I was permitted to go anywhere in the house. In the part of the house in which Allerton lived there were five rooms, one large front bedroom, on the north, two small bedrooms on the west, one living room on the east and one kitchen on the south. I did not notice any guns in this house until sometime after the middle of January 1934. Between the first time that I met Fred Barker and Zeigler in my saloon when they asked about a house and the middle of January 1934, I saw Zeigler, Fred Barker and Ray Karpis, on frequent occasions, either at my saloon or at the Allerton home.

About the middle of January 1934 Harold Allerton came to my saloon and told me that the boys at Allerton's house wanted me to buy them some groceries. I think Allerton had a list of the groceries I was to buy. As well as I recall, Allerton was alone when he brought this message to me. Allerton said to me, "The boys came in last night. They brought a fellow in with them—his head is hurt, but they have fixed him up all right". Then Allerton and I bought the groceries in Elmhurst at the A & P store and took them to Allerton's house. I didn't go inside the house. They got me to buy the groceries, because Allerton didn't have an automobile in which to carry them. At the time we bought the groceries, Allerton told me to bring up a case of beer and some whiskey. After dark that night I took a case of beer and some liquor to Allerton's house. I saw no automobiles. I went inside the house and saw a man from whose photograph I identify as Harry Campbell, Doc Barker and Ray Karpis and Allerton. There were two others here whom I cannot identify. The first four men mentioned were in the kitchen, and as I came in, the latter two men walked into the living room and closed the door. I had previously met Doc Barker in my saloon with Zeigler. He was introduced to me as "Doc". On this particular night when I brought the beer to the boys I remained there only a short time. I heard nothing of any consequences discussed. The living room door was closed to me and I sensed that I was not to go in there.

On the following night, or perhaps two nights later, Fred Barker and Zeigler came to my saloon, and they asked me if everything was all right. I understood their inquiry to mean whether the law had been around. I told them everything was all right.

Then they asked me to take them up to Allerton's house. They were driving the 1932 Chevrolet Coupe of Zeigler. The only explanation I can give as to why they wanted me to drive my car up ahead of them to Allerton's house that night, was to find out if I was on the square with them. Both Zeigler and Fred Barker were dressed in business men's clothes. I went into Allerton's house. I remained in the kitchen with Allerton and Harry Campbell, while Zeigler and Fred Barker went into the living room and closed the door. They remained in there about 20 or 30 minutes. By this time I had noted in the newspapers that Bremer had been kidnaped in St. Paul, and I was reasonably sure that Bremer was being held in Allerton's house. After Fred Barker and Zeigler had been in the living room for 20 or 30 minutes they came out, walked outside. I followed them and then they said they would see me in a couple of days, so I went on home.

A couple of nights later Zeigler and Fred Barker again came to my saloon and had me take them to Allerton's home. The same thing happened as above noted. I saw the same group of persons there as noted a couple of evenings prior to this.

By this time I knew in my own mind that it was Bremer who was being held in the other room at Allerton's house. I had noted news items on this case in the papers and observed in the papers from time to time that ransom notes were being sent to the Bremer family.

About a week after Bremer was brought to Allerton's home I was there and saw Harry Campbell and Allerton in the kitchen. Ray Karpis came into the kitchen from the living room and as he opened the door I observed two unidentified men sitting in the living room. I also noted four or five machine guns lying on a day bed in the living room.

I visited Allerton's house three or four times a week during the time Bremer was held there, and practically every time I was there I saw Doc Barker, Ray Karpis and Harry Campbell. Most of the time I also saw the two unidentified men I have mentioned above. I saw Fred Barker and Zeigler come in frequently. They always gave the appearance of having business to transact in the living room. Fred Barker and Zeigler were always dressed in business men's clothing while the others were dressed in high boots, riding breeches, rough suede jackets and heavy shirts.

I often purchased groceries for the parties at Allerton's house. I bought groceries at all the stores in Bensonville and also in Elmhurst. Allerton also purchased groceries. I purchased groceries at the request of Allerton and Zeigler.

Two or three times while I was visiting the Allerton house I observed Zeigler and Fred Barker go into the room occupied by Bremer, and when they came out I noted that they had handkerchieves tied about their necks, which they promptly untied upon coming to the kitchen.

The next day after Bremer was brought to Allerton's house, Allerton told me that the gang was holding Bremer of St. Paul. He told me they were holding Bremer for ransom, but didn't say how much ransom would be demanded.

The only car I ever saw any members of this gang use during the time Bremer was held in Allerton's house, was the 1932 Chevrolet Coupe of Zeigler.

Allerton told me that he had rented the garage of "Blady" Bishop for such cars as members of this gang might have. Bishop's garage is located only a short distance down the Siley from Allerton's house. Bishop is a former barber in Bensonville, he is a World War veteran and a few months ago he suffered a stroke and was taken to the Edward Rines Hospital. He is now in some other Government hospital. He is a former switchman for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry. located at Bensonville, Illinois.

Several times during Bremer's captivity Ray Farpis told me they were going to take him (meaning Bremer) back any day.

It is my recollection that Bremer was held in Allerton's house for about three weeks.

On one occasion I heard Harry Campbell and Ray Farpis explaining to Zeigler and Fred Barker that when they took him (meaning Bremer) they had to hit him over the head because he wouldn't get out of his car as they ordered him to do. They said that his head was split open but that he would be all right. This conversation took place in the kitchen of Allerton's home.

Snatch

Two or three times a week Zeigler and Fred Barker would come to me and ask me if everything was all right, meaning whether or not anyone suspected what was going on with regard to Bremer. I always told them that everything was all right.

On the day that Bremer was released George Zeigler came to my saloon at about 10:00 or 11:00 o'clock in the morning and told, "all, they're gone". He made it clear to me that he meant that the gang and Bremer who had been up at Allerton's place, had gone.

After the gang and Bremer departed from Bensenville, George Zeigler gave me a \$1,000 bill, (one thousand dollar bill) with which to buy slot machines. I had an idea that he gave me this money in payment of my services to him and his friends during the time Bremer was being held.

The above statement consisting of 18 handwritten pages has been read to me by K. R. McIntire in its entirety and it contains the truth.

(signed) Elmer Farmer

Witness:

K. R. McIntire ) Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
Val C. Zimmer ) U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Bldg.,  
Chicago, Illinois.



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1900 Bankers Bldg.,  
Chicago, Illinois,  
January 13, 1935.

I, CLARA GIBSON, do make this free and voluntary statement to E. R. McIntire, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, without any threats of violence or promises of reward of any kind.

My maiden name is Clara Estelle Fisher. I have used the nickname "Sue." I was born in Kansas City, Missouri, April 8, 1900. My parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Earl Fisher, 502 Myrtle Street, Kansas City, Missouri. I have four brothers, Joe, Frank, Griffith, and Jack. I have one sister, Mrs. George Guymon, living in Chicago. I grew up with the Italian element in Kansas City on the northeast side. I became acquainted with Russell Gibson in Kansas City, Missouri, when I was about 15 years of age. At this time Russell was driving a taxi cab for John Lazia, known as the Red Riding Hood Cab Stand. I knew John Lazia intimately myself. Lazia was about four years my senior. He also lived on the north side of Kansas City. Russell was intimately associated with Lazia until Russell and I left Kansas City. One of their frequent meeting places was the North Side Democratic Club of which Lazia was the "Boss" having formed that club. This club was composed of the best and worst elements in Kansas City.

Whenever Russell Gibson got in trouble Johnny Lazia would always front for him, and Lazia referred me to Ed Curtin, for legal advice. Curtin was the prosecutor there for twelve years, but is now dead.

I married Russell Gibson on February 24, 1923 at Independence, Missouri. At one time Russell was arrested in Kansas City, charged with participation in a bank robbery. He was released on this charge. At another time he was arrested and convicted, charge with assault with a dangerous and deadly weapon. He was sentenced to serve two years in Jefferson City on this charge. Russell served one year of this sentence and was released.

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Upon his release from Jefferson City, he started "running" liquor between Kansas City and Oklahoma City. Four or five months after his release from Jefferson City, Russell became involved in the robbery of a bank messenger in Oklahoma City. On this matter he told me that if he were ever caught and had lots of money he could beat the rap, but that he would get plenty of time if he didn't have money. Russell also told me that he had three policemen in Kansas City, Missouri, who would "front" for him, and testify that he, Russell Gibson, was in Kansas City, Missouri, on the date of the bank messenger robbery in Oklahoma City. While Russell was being held on this charge in the Oklahoma County jail, Gomer Smith, a big criminal attorney came to see Russell, who wanted \$10,000 for defending Russell. Russell was visited by John Lazia while in jail and Sheriff Stanley Rogers arranged a meeting between the two. At this time Lazia told Rogers that there were several persons in Kansas City who would testify that Russell was up there at the time of the robbery in Oklahoma City to which Rogers replied, "Well, I haven't anything but a tin can jail, and if I were innocent I wouldn't stay in it." Russell told me he never used a cent to buy his way out, but that he was playing dice on the upper tier with some negroes, when he cut a hold through a wall and escaped.

Had Russell lived he would have been 35 years of age January 14, 1935. His mother's name is Nancy Gibson, his father being Grant Gibson. Mother and father now divorced. His mother lives in Los Angeles. Russell has four sisters, Goldie, Ruby, Orpha, and Grace. His brother is Orville Gibson, an attorney now in Los Angeles.

Goldie Gibson is married and I don't know her name or address. Ruby Gibson works in a department store in Los Angeles. Orpha is now Mrs. G. W. Walls, living in Aurora, Illinois. Mr. Walls is a painter for a railroad company in Aurora.

Russell escaped from Oklahoma City in about August, 1929. I had been living in Chicago about four or five months before his escape. Then Russell came to Chicago. We first lived at the Florence Apartments on Winthrop, then we moved to 6808 Wayne, called the Waynewood Apartments, then in an apartment on Lunt and Paulina, then to 5710 Winthrop. While at this apartment Russell was arrested for robbery and was held in the Cook County jail for about a month. During the past two years we have lived at the following addresses under the following names: In May, 1932 we moved to 3638 Pine Grove Avenue and



lived under the name of Roy Gray. We lived here for 18 months. In November of 1933 we moved to 626 Waveland and lived there until April of 1934.

Russell knew a gambler called "Heinie" who had been in the penitentiary at Joliet and through him learned to know Ollie Berg. I also knew Ollie under the name of Izzy. Russell was afflicted with a social disease and was recommended to Dr. Joseph Moran by Ollie Berg. About a year ago I was in Moran's office on Irving Park Boulevard with Russell, at which time I saw "Boss" McLaughlin. Moran told me this man was McLaughlin and that he was dying of diabetes. Moran told me that McLaughlin didn't have a penny and that medical service was given free. I saw McLaughlin only once. At Moran's office I met a young man called Jimmie whom Moran said he was going to put through school.

Ollie Berg never told me what he was wanted for, but said that if he were ever arrested again it would mean the rest of his life. I knew Ollie when I was living at 3638 Pine Grove and at 626 Waveland, and saw him later in Toledo, Ohio.

During April, 1934 while we, Russell and I, were living at 626 Waveland, Russell told me that I should leave the apartment and not return to it until he told me to return. Someone had told Dr. Moran that officers were checking all his, Moran's 'phone calls. Russell said he was going to leave too. He said to me, "I would let you stay here and talk to those men (meaning officers) if we were all right." Russell's mother was living with us at the time. He sent her back to Kansas City, saying, "They might find out who I am." Russell and I had agreed to meet through an Italian girl named "Vi". I don't recall her address. She is not a contact for any gang.

I then moved to a room around the corner from my Waveland address, Addison and Pine Grove, where I remained about two weeks. I then moved to the Florence Apartment Hotel, 5406 North Winthrop Avenue, Chicago, Illinois and lived here for about two weeks. Russell rejoined me here. He asked me how I'd like to take a trip and mentioned New York. He said he had been in Toledo, Ohio, and that there were several big gambling houses opening up there and he might be able "to get cut in" there. He also said that since the World's Fair was opening up he might be recognized by policemen from Kansas City. We gave up our apartment here and drove in our 1934 Ford V-8 Coupe to Toledo. When Russell returned to take me to Toledo, I told him that

things were getting hot and that officers had been to the garage. About one month later Russell went to the garage, and Mr. Miller, proprietor, told him that the officers had taken the Buick and had given a receipt.

I stated earlier that Russell and I always arranged to meet one another through a girl friend named "Vi." This is wrong. We met through Ollie Berg.

Our first night in Toledo was spent in a hotel where Doc Moran and Jimmie were staying. Russell suggested that we could get a cottage out on "The Point" or an apartment. I preferred an apartment. Russell learned from a friend of his where we should look for an apartment. I didn't see or meet this friend. We got an apartment at the Collingwood Apartments. Russell had me rent this apartment while he waited outside. He gave me no instructions as to the location and kind of an apartment I should rent. When Russell would come home late he would say he had been out to "The Point."

I remained in Toledo two or three weeks. While there I saw Dr. Moran, Jimmie and Ollie. I never saw "Shorty", otherwise known to me as Joe Morley. Ollie Berg came there after we did and returned to Chicago shortly. He and Russell were gambling partners. Ollie stayed at the Commodore Perry Hotel, the best in Toledo. Jimmie told me he had relatives in Toledo. While in Toledo, Russell and I were out to two places - one was a Chinese joint and the other a barny place which had not yet been finished. I don't recall hearing of the Casino Club, or of a Ted Angus. We also went out to a roadhouse making a specialty of serving fish.

At the above mentioned barny place, Russell, Dr. Moran, Ollie and Jimmie and I saw a woman on one occasion who the boys called "Mert." She was known to all the men in our party. I have been shown a photo of Myrtle Eaton and this woman "Mert" resembles the Eaton woman strongly. Mert was drunk and didn't appear to be with any particular group of people. Dr. Moran told me this woman had to have a quart of liquor each day. Russell never advised me of the identity of this woman.

About a week after we reached Toledo, Russell made a four or five day trip to Hannibal, Missouri. He said he had an appointment with some men from Kansas City. He didn't tell me who he met or the purpose of the trip. He did not lose his car on this trip.

After remaining in Toledo for about three weeks I had a quarrel with Russell and came back to Chicago on the train alone.

While in Toledo Russell made money shooting clay pigeons. I don't recall the name of this place. In Toledo, Doc Moran told me he had some work to do, but never mentioned the nature of the work.

Upon returning to Chicago I took a room at the Hayes Hotel on the south side, remaining there about four days. I moved to a room on the 6400 block on Kimbark. At each of these places I used the name of either Clara or Sue Rogers. In Toledo I registered in the name of Mrs. J. Rogers. I contacted Russell about one week after I moved to the Kimbark Street room. Russell had just gotten into Chicago and was registered at the Harrison Hotel in the name of James Rogers. I stayed there with him for about a week and then we moved to Briar Place, the apartment being called Briar Way. We registered in the name of James Rogers. We lived here for four or five weeks. Ollie Berg visited us at this apartment. While at this apartment Russell made a trip. He didn't say where he was going or who he would meet, but said he would be gone for about a week. Ollie Berg might know Russell's purpose in making this trip. A couple days after Russell's departure he returned, said he had been to Hannibal, Missouri, and that he was lucky to be back. He said someone "had put the finger on him there." I asked him how he knew and he said that two officers came into a saloon where he was sitting, and asked whose car that was out in front (meaning Russell's Ford coupe). Russell then walked out the back door and came home on a train. Russell said we ought to move to a new apartment because he had left some shirts in his car, and he might be traced through the laundry marks. We then moved to the Aldine Apartments on Aldine Street. I rented the apartment under the name of James Roberts. We remained here about a month. We then moved to the Diversey Plaza or Diversey Parkway Apartments on Diversey between Halsted and the Elevated lines. We lived here under the name of James Roberts for three or four weeks. During the time we lived here Russell's photograph appeared in a Detective magazine. This was in connection with the robbery of the bank messenger in Oklahoma City, and Russell's photo appeared opposite that of Cowboy Hays. Seeing this Russell wanted to move and asked me to sure to get into an apartment not having a switchboard and hotel service. He was afraid someone at the desk would recognize him from his photograph. So I rented an apartment at the Surf Lane Apartments, 432 Surf Street, Chicago. We lived here in the name of James Roberts. We moved into this apartment about the first of September 1934.

Previous to this time I had heard Ollie Berg and Russell speak of a fellow called Shorty, whom Russell told me was Joe Morley. Russell moved our things to the Surf Apartments in a car, a Ford Sedan, 1934 model, which he said he had borrowed from Joe, meaning Joe Morley. It was my understanding that Joe was either living with Ollie Berg or next door to Berg. Shortly after we moved to Surf Street, Joe Morley visited us. He visited us numerous times. He and Russell would sit up very late talking. I never heard their conversation. I was told to keep out of everything. Slim told me not to have "nose trouble." Joe Morley was very quiet and never talked to me.

Just before we moved to the Surf Apartments, Ollie Berg telephoned and asked for Russell. Russell wasn't home so Ollie told me to tell Russell to stay home when he came in, that some parties had come in from out of town and wanted to see Russell. Russell told me that Jimmie and Joe had come to town. Ollie came over the next day and was/because they had dumped Jimmie off on him.

About a month after we moved to the Surf Lane Apartments, Russell brought a man to live with us named Andy, or Andrew Allen. Andy is the man who was arrested with me at my apartment at 5912 Pine Grove on January 8, 1935. Andy was to stay with us until his wife came. Andy had been living at the Guyon, or Guyon Hotel, on the west side. Andy stayed with us for about a month before his wife and two children arrived. They then took an apartment in the Surf Lane. Mrs. Allen was known to us as "Vi". Mr. Allen called her Viva. Before Mrs. Allen arrived, Russell, Andy and Joe Morley had several meetings in my apartment. All during the time we were at the Surf Lane, Andy, Russell, and Joe Morley would make numerous trips out of town. Occasionally William Harrison came to the Surf Lane with Joe Morley. On all of these trips Russell and Andy took their suit cases with them. There was one black bag in our apartment that Russell told me never to touch. He always took this bag with him and Andy on trips. It was an extremely heavy bag. I never looked inside this bag, but I am confident it contained guns.

Joe Morley was always with Russell and Andy on these trips, and they usually left from my apartment. The only car I ever saw them use was Joe Morley's Ford sedan, until Andy bought his Ford coach. Around Thanksgiving Russell and Andy were making a trip and said they would be gone for about two weeks. They returned in two days and didn't say where they had been or why they returned so soon. On one

trip Russell stayed in a hotel next door to a police station. On the trip Andy and Russell made at Thanksgiving time, Mrs. Allen, Ruth Heidt and I had dinner at my apartment.

While at the Surf Lane we were visited several times by a fellow called "Whitie" but name not known. He was known to Andy and Russell, but Russell told me that "Whitie" was a stranger to almost all of them. Sometimes he came alone. "Whitie" was there at times when Joe Morley was at my apartment. "Whitie" seemed to be as well known to Joe Morley as to Russell and Andy. Russell told me that "Whitie" was broke and that Andy and Joe were loaning him money. "Whitie" was at my apartment with William Harrison and Harrison seemed to know "Whitie" as well as the others knew him. In all, I saw "Whitie" about six times. He is described as follows:

Age	-	25 or 26 - looks young
Height	-	About 5' 10"
Weight	-	170-180
Build	-	Slender - has a very slender waistline.
Hair	-	Light blonde - wavy and lots of hair - hair is almost identical with that of Edward Wilhite seen in St. Louis, Mo. P.D. photo #1773.
Eyes	-	Blue
Teeth	-	Even
Personality	-	Pleasant, smiling type
Speech	-	Has slight foreign accent
Nationality	-	Told me he was a Lithuanian
Marital Status	-	Russell said White is married and has two children
Criminal Record	-	None known
Residence	-	Not known

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I don't know where "Whitie" lived in Chicago, but one day he told me he was going to move because there were a couple of suicides in his building. "Whitie" never made any trips with the boys, to my knowledge. I have been shown photographs of Edward Wilhite, but this man is not identical with "Whitie".

Several trips were made out of town by Russell and Andy while Andy's wife lived at the Surf Lane.

Russell had always slept with a small gun under his pillow, but when we were living at the Surf Lane, and when Russell was being visited by Harrison, Joe Morley and "Whitie" he always slept with a large rifle or shot gun beside his bed.

About December 1, 1934 Russell said he and Joe Morley and Andy were going to leave town and that he had another apartment for us; that William Harrison would move us. Our rent was up on December 15, 1934 at the Surf Lane, so we moved to the Shelldrake Hotel for about four days. We were to move to an apartment on 3912 Pine Grove. Harrison said he had been living there for some time. Some woman had been living in the apartment on Pine Grove because Harrison moved her dresses out when we moved in. In this apartment I noticed some new wiring and an extra plug on the wall and I asked Harrison if that was some of his work. He said that Joe Morley had done this work. From the conduct of Harrison and Joe Morley I drew the conclusion that they were living together.

It was about December 20, 1934 that we moved to 3912 Pine Grove.

While we were living on Surf Street, Harrison told me that Joe Morley had fallen in love and was going to get married. Later, Russell told me that Joe had gone to Crown Point, Indiana and had gotten married. I've never seen Joe's wife, but understood she was from the East. I asked Harrison if it was sudden, and he said Morley had been going with the girl for some time.

At 3912 Pine Grove I found an Illinois automobile license certificate in Russell's clothes, issued in the name of Bolton. Russell told me that this paper was for Shorty's car.

Andy Allen lived with us at 3912 Pine Grove. Occasionally he would be gone over night. When we moved to 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, Russell and Joe Morley made a trip, being gone four or five days, possibly less. He didn't tell me where he had been.

A few days before Christmas Russell asked me one night to prepare Andy's breakfast by 7:00 A. M. on the following morning, that Andy and Harrison were going to take a trip. He didn't say where Andy was going. Ruth Heidt heard Andy tell Russell that he, Andy, would be back by January 4, 1935. Harrison was at my apartment the night before this trip and said he was going with Andy and said he was going to work wherever he was going.

About three days later Russell said that he and Joe Morley were going south, and that I should pack enough things to last him about three weeks. When Andy left he said he was going to see his



family over the holidays. Russell returned two or three days after New Year's and said he had seen Andy in Georgia. Russell brought back some deer meat and some fish - said he had fished one day. He also brought back some nuts. Russell said he and Joe Morley had run into Andy and Harrison, coming home, while the latter were buying nuts. Russell said they had had car trouble on the way home; that they had no money, except a large bill which Morley had, and had they tried to cash this bill they might have gotten into trouble.

After the boys returned, Andy continued to live with us - Harrison and Joe Morley also visited us three or four times. On the night of the raid on January 8, 1935 Joe Morley had dinner with us. Morley remained with us about two hours. At about 8:00 P.M. Russell took Morley to his home, and was gone for about an hour - then Russell came home and we packed a box and he and I took the box over to the new apartment. Then we returned home and about an hour later the raid took place. The only parties in the apartment at the time of the raid were Ruth Heidt, Andy Allen, Russell and I.

In July or August, 1934 while we were living on Diversey, I first noted in the paper or in a detective magazine that Russell was wanted in connection with the Bremer kidnaping. I asked him what part he had in it. He denied any part in it, but I told him where there is smoke there must be fire, and he said, "If they were to arrest me tomorrow, they would take me to St. Paul and the most I could get would be five years."

At the time of the raid on January 8, 1934 we were arranging to move to an apartment on 520 Surf Street. Ruth Heidt had been living with us. Russell and I were going to take a trip and since Andy didn't want to stay alone with Ruth Heidt, we got this apartment for Andy and gave Ruth \$50.00 to live on while we were gone. Andy gave me this money to give to Ruth. I got this apartment through an advertisement.

Russell and I were going to go to Kansas City, Missouri, to see how the case in Oklahoma City was progressing against Cowboy Hays. Russell wanted to learn how much evidence they had against him, Russell.

I first met Ruth Heidt at the 554 Club in Chicago. She was a hostess there. I later learned from Harrison that she was formerly his wife. I learned that she was not going very well financially and Russell and Andy asked me to take her in for a while until she could find another job. She lived me at the Surf Street and Pine Grove addresses. Russell, Andy and I visited the 554 Club three or four

times, but I never saw any persons whose photographs have been shown me.

I don't know where Harrison is at present, but on January 8, 1935, I heard Russell ask Joe Morley if Harrison got away all right, and Morley said he did. Apparently Harrison has gone out of town.

At the time of John Lazia's death I asked Russell who killed him and the reason, and he said it was probably one of the younger set of Italinas who was jealous of Lazia's power; Russell said that whoever became "Boss" after Lazia's death would probably be the one who was responsible for his death.

During the time we were in Toledo either Jimmie or Russell told me that Dr. Moran was playing around with a colored cabaret entertainer. Dr. Moran said he was going to get married and go out to his sister in Colorado.

Among the persons known to Russell in Kansas City were:

Guy Given  
Cass Welsh  
Tom Pendergrast  
John Lazia  
Booth Baukman  
James Aylward (attorney)

E. C. Reppert  
Gold Tooth Maxie  
Solly Weissman  
Joe Bondi  
Ed Curtin (now dead)

I have known William Harrison under the name of Elmer Howe. When he returned from the south after New Year's Harrison told me he had been offered a job on a gambling table at \$25.00 a day. I asked him if it was in Georgia, and he said, "No - in Cuba." He said he might take this job. Harrison has the appearance of being an overgrown joking boy. He nicknamed Joe Morley, "Gabby" since he said so little.

When Andrew Allen's wife registered at the Surf Lane Apartments she registered in the name of Mrs. Andrew Benson.



Mr. McIntire has read the foregoing statement to me consisting of 27 handwritten pages and it contains the truth.

(Signed)  
Clara Gibson

Witnessed:

K. R. McIntire,  
R. C. Suran, Special Agents,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 18, 1935.

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APPREHENSION ORDER  
NO. 1219-329

Dear Sir:

In Re: ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
DOCK BARKER, BOB BARKER, CLAUD  
DALE.

Identification Order No. 1219 on the above named  
subject is hereby cancelled, inasmuch as he was taken into  
custody at Chicago, Illinois, on January 8, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,

Director.

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January 20, 1935

Time - 12 noon

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Stanley, I informed him of the gun battle which the Atlantic City Police Department had early this morning with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. I told him that the two women who were with these men were apprehended, but the men got away in another car. I told him the women had given quite complete statements, and one of them indicated that Harry Campbell was fatally wounded by the gun fire of the Police Officers.

I further informed Mr. Stanley that we were taking every step in our power to effect the apprehension of these men.

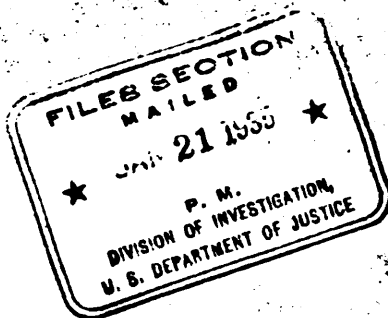
I told him that at Chicago we have two full confessions in the Bremer kidnaping case; that Mr. Bremer has come down and identified the hideout in which he was kept; that we have the men who arranged for the hideout and kept the place supplied with food, etc.

Very truly yours,

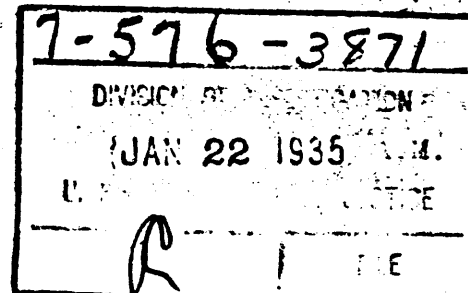
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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January 16, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Connelley called and stated there had been found in the pocketbook belonging to Kate Barker ten \$1,000 bills, 4 \$50 bills, one \$10 bill, one \$20, one \$5 and four ones. This is in addition to the \$4,000 found on Fred Barker and the \$73 additional. The report of the Coroner's jury as of January 15 - 16, 1935, is to the effect that Fred Barker and Kate Barker came to their death at the hands of Agents of the United States Department of Investigation in the protection of their own lives while the said Fred Barker and Kate Barker were resisting arrest. This report was issued by the Coroner, F. E. Futch. Mr. Connelley stated he would secure a certified copy of this report and forward it to the Division. He stated there would be a little difficulty in connection with the money and personal property of the subjects, as the law there provides that the coroner shall take possession of their personal effects, to turn same in to the Clerk of the Court. The Coroner states if he fails to do this he might be subject to suit. Mr. Connelley states he had discussed the matter with you yesterday; that it is thought the thing to do is to get the United States Attorney to settle the matter with the Coroner. He stated he would immediately call Jacksonville and ask that that office send down either the United States Attorney or an Assistant, to Ocala. He stated that all of the Coroner's jury commended the Division on the work it had done, in "cleaning up the mob there", and also with reference to the activities of the Division in the past. Nothing of this commendation was in the verdict, however, Mr. Connelley having been personally advised of their attitude. Mr. Connelley advised he would arrive in Miami not later than tomorrow morning.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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Miss Gandy.....

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
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Washington, D. C.

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January 17, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

9:50 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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Mr. Coffey.....
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Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

I called Mr. Ladd in connection with the Bremer case. He stated that the Agents got in this morning from Detroit and that he believes no one saw #5 at Detroit as it was dark when they got there and they took him right into the building; that the papers had called him several times this morning to see if we were going to make any statement about Barker in line with the story in the American and Ladd advised we had no comment to make.

I advised that you wanted the situation in St. Paul pushed and that he should try to get a special session of the Grand Jury. He stated he had told McIntyre that when he left and requested that when he had finished his conference he should have Mr. Coulter call me and give me what information had developed and also to call Ladd. I requested that Mr. Ladd personally call the United States Attorney and point out to him that we have the hide-out and that we are very anxious to get an indictment, but that he delay his call until we had the outcome of the conference. I advised that you thought we should include in the indictment "Ma" Barker, Fred Barker and everybody who participated in the case. Ladd stated he had given McIntyre these names and suggested that he have them included, as well as Slim Gray, the money changers, and all others.

I advised that Mr. Nathan would be back at Chicago about 2 o'clock this afternoon and that you desired that he go up to St. Paul and watch the situation there and do what can be done to push the thing right through. He stated he would have Nathan call me when he came in.

I advised that you feel there is a leak there in the office and requested that he look into it and see what he can find out, because this is the third successive time that the Chicago American has had an exclusive story on something we were doing; that you feel it might be coming from one of the clerical employees or stenographers. Mr. Ladd stated he had no suspicions of anyone there, but that he would carefully look into this matter.

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I requested advice as to whether they were still keeping Elmer Farmer, and Ladd advised they are keeping him, Monte Carter, #5's girl, Clara Gibson, and the ~~Hunt~~ girl. I asked what the purpose was in holding Clara Gibson now. He stated Connelley wanted her held for a while, at least until they had finished in Florida, in order that nothing would get out.

I asked whether any information had been obtained relative to Allerton, and he stated the Agents had called him from Marion last night advising that they had not been able to develop anything, and Ladd told them to check further this morning. I asked as to the manner in which Allerton moved his furniture from Bensenville, and Ladd stated he had been mistaken in this connection; that after he had talked with me he had questioned that bunch further and found that the place was furnished and that the same furniture is supposed to be there but is apparently rearranged; that some of the dishes that were there at that time were given to a daughter, and Ladd stated he believed they would be able to locate them; that the beds had been switched around and they are going to check carefully against the description given by Bremer. He stated further that after Allerton moved out the owner <sup>the house</sup> had the place re-papered and papered all the rooms except the one in which Bremer was held and the paper in that room is torn and cracked in the corner, as Bremer described it, and it is identical with the wallpaper we have.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

January 21, 1935.

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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al.  
EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM.  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith in duplicate fingerprints of Dolores DeLaney and Wynona Burdette, who were taken into custody following the escape of Subjects Karpis and Campbell at Atlantic City, N.J., on the morning of January 20, 1935.

Photographs of Dolores DeLaney were taken today at the hospital by a commercial photographer and will be forwarded to the Division as soon as they are completed.

Very truly yours,

*R. G. Harvey*  
R. G. HARVEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

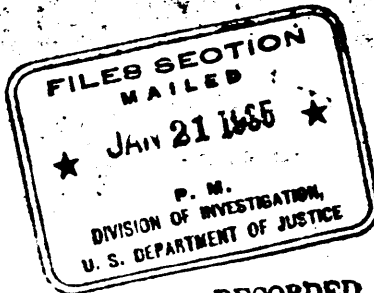
Colonel Gates telephoned and stated that the Associated Press had requested the criminal background of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang. I told the Colonel that I would send him a memorandum which we had prepared on this subject.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

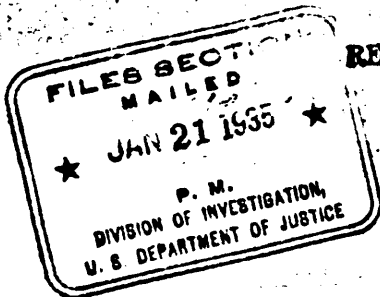
Colonel Gates telephoned to inquire if there is anything to be given out concerning Karpis this morning. I informed him that no statement will be made concerning this matter until Karpis is apprehended.

Very truly yours,

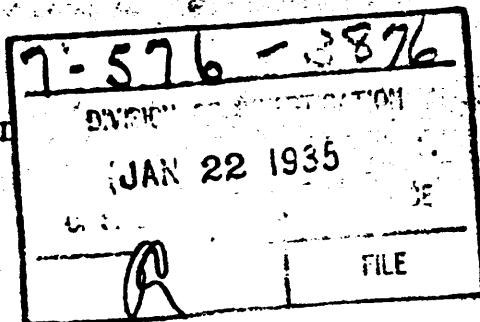
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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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January 18, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

Pursuant to Mrs. Kelley's request, I transmitted to Mr. Suydam, ten copies of the Identification Orders issued on Doc Barker and Alvin Karpis on the morning of Thursday, January 17, 1935.

  
E. A. Tamm

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 5, 1935.

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Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
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Mr. Keith.....
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Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION.

Reference is made to your memorandum of December 27, 1934, submitting a summary report in the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim-Kidnaping, in which you state that the summary sets forth the evidence in possession of the Division against John J. McLaughlin, Sr., John J. McLaughlin, Jr., William E. Vidler and Philip J. Delaney.

This summary does not seem to contain any evidence as to the activities of the McLaughlins, Vidler and Delaney. Will you please let me have any additional reports showing the activities of the above named parties.

Respectfully,

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*Joseph B. Keenan*  
JOSEPH B. KEENAN,  
Assistant Attorney General.

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*Hasn't all of the evidence  
been turned over to U. S. Atty.  
if so they should call upon  
him for a brief of the evidence.*

*J. E. N.*

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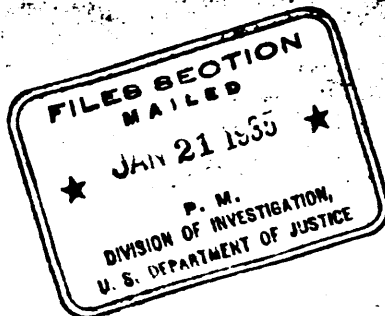
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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEEMAN

With reference to your memorandum dated January 8, 1935, requesting additional reports in the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS, et al, EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim, Kidnaping, please be advised that this case is in active investigation and the files are presently in the St. Paul Division Office. I respectfully refer you to the United States Attorney at St. Paul, who has been furnished with all the information in this case.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
FROM: UNIT #1 UNIT #3

1934.

TO: Director  
Mr. Nathan  
Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Edwards  
Mr. Quinn  
Unit Two

Unit Four

Files Section  
Personnel Files  
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Chief Clerk's Office

Unit Five

Identification Unit  
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Technical Laboratory

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Mr. Smith

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Mrs. Kelley

Washington Field Office

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E. A. TAMM - Room 5107

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Bldg.,  
Chicago, Ill.

January 18, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

I am enclosing herewith two copies of an enlarged photograph of the wall paper appearing on the bed room wherein Victim Bremer was held.

Likewise I am enclosing herewith two photo-static copies of a scale diagram showing dimensions of the building and various rooms in the house where this Victim was kept during the time he was kidnapped.

Very truly yours,

*M. H. Purvis*  
M. H. PURVIS *pmh.*  
Special Agent in Charge

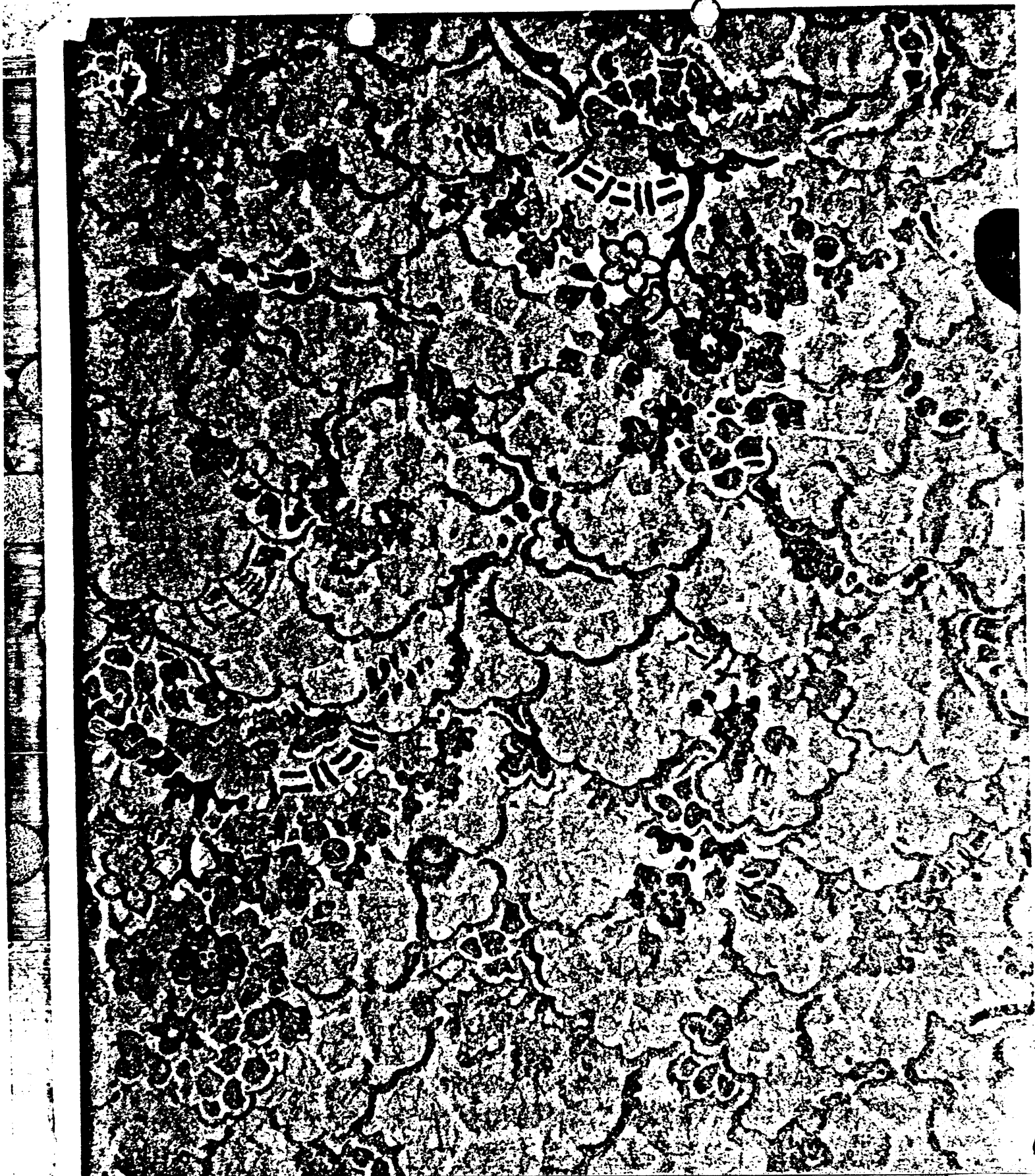
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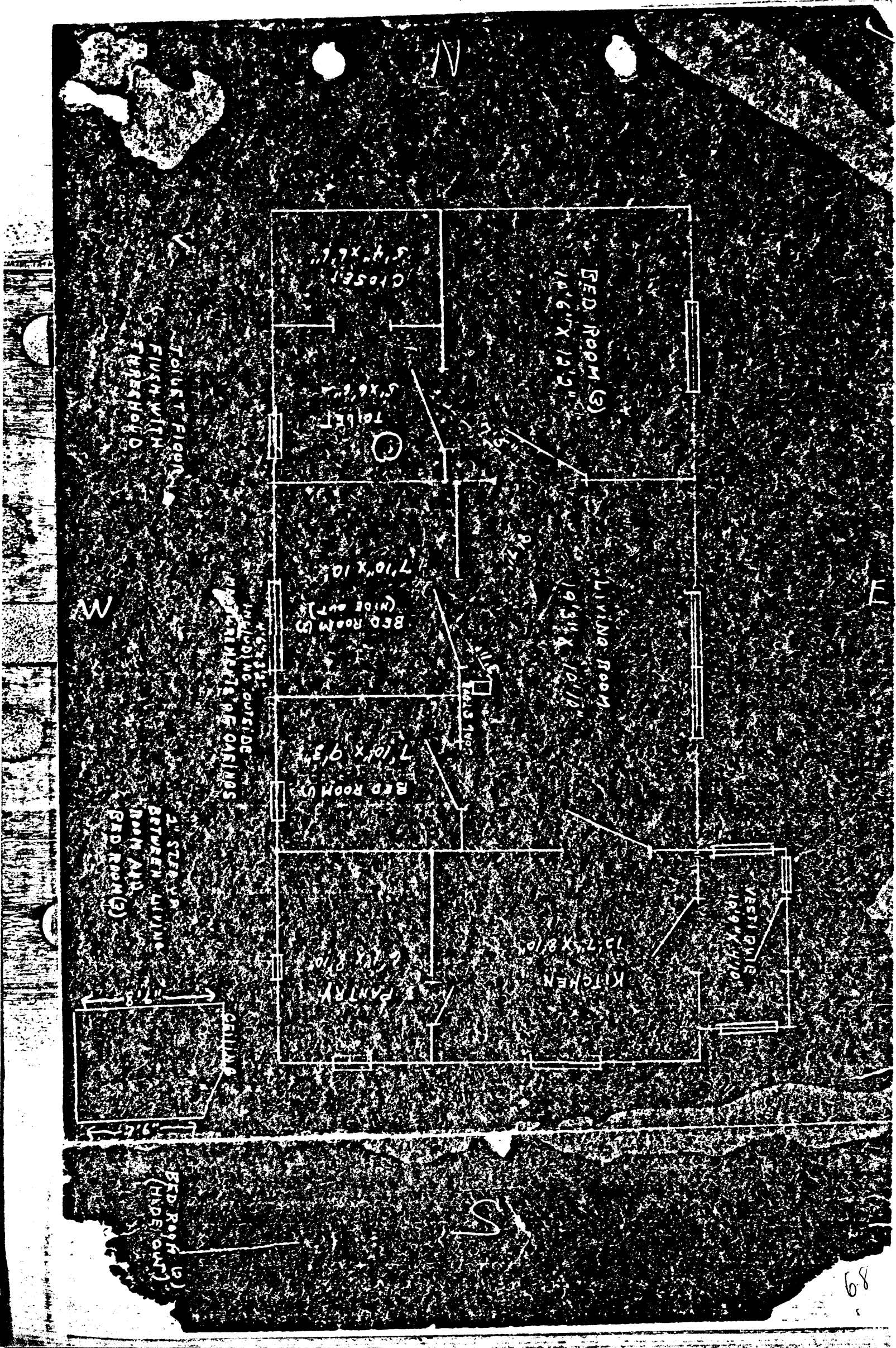
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**JANUARY 21, 1935.**

**RE:CKK**

**SEND FOLLOWING WIRE TO ALL OFFICES ON THE ATTACHED LIST:**

*alien*  
**BREKID PONTIAC USED BY SUBJECTS KARPIS AND CAMPBELL IN FLIGHT FROM ATLANTIC  
CITY FOUND ABANDONED NEAR QUAKERSTOWN PENNSYLVANIA SEVEN AM TODAY**

**HOOVER**

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1002 POST OFFICE AND COURT HOUSE BLDG.  
BOSTON MASS.

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426 U.S.CUSTOM HOUSE AND P.O. BLDG.  
CINCINNATI OHIO

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R.H.COLVIN  
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INDIANAPOLIS IND.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S.DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
508 MEDICAL ARTS BUILDING  
NASHVILLE TENN.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S.DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
370 LEXINGTON AVE., ROOM 1403  
NEW YORK CITY N.Y.

D. BRANTLEY  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S.DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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PHILADELPHIA PENNA.

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U.S.DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
1216 SMITH YOUNG TOWER BUILDING  
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January 21, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR IDENTIFICATION UNIT

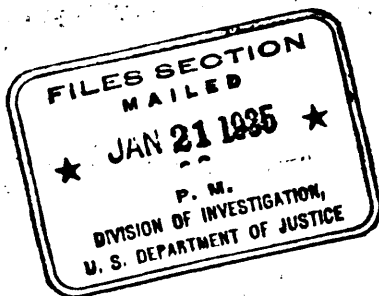
UNIT FIVE.

Information has been received to the effect  
that subject ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, Index No. 5679, was located at  
Chicago, Illinois on January 8, 1935.  
Kindly cancel notice in Police Bulletin.  
Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
January 21, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Paul Green, Apartment 202, 2500 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida, telephoned the office at approximately 9.20 p.m., and stated that he would like to talk with an Agent of the Division right away concerning the Karpis case. I told him that we would have an Agent communicate with him within the next few minutes.

I telephoned Mr. Alt at 9.25 p.m. and told him to communicate with Mr. Hanson, or a responsible agent in Miami, and have Mr. Green contacted at once. I told Mr. Alt to notify the Division immediately of any important developments.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE IDENTIFICATION UNIT,  
UNIT FIVE.

With reference to Division wanted notice on Fred  
Barker with aliases Gus Barker, J. Darrows, T. B. Lang,  
F. G. Ward, Ted Murphy and Ted Murray, subject of Fugitive  
Index Card No. 5970, kindly cancel the Division wanted  
notice on this subject, inasmuch as he was killed while  
resisting arrest at Oklawaha, Florida on January 16, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Little Rock, Arkansas  
January 19th, 1935

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

With reference to wire of  
January 18th, 1935 advising the Division that  
I was proceeding immediately to Hot Springs,  
Arkansas, in connection with the case entitled:  
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER - Victim - KIDNAPING.

This is to advise the Division  
that I returned to headquarters at 10:35 A. M.,  
January 19th, 1935.

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Conroy*  
E. E. CONROY,  
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935

EAT:CSH

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

1:50 P.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
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Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Ladd called in connection with the Bremer case to advise that #5 and the Agents left by plane for St. Paul at 12:35 Chicago time, and that they will arrive in St. Paul at about 4:30; that arrangements had been made by Mr. Coulter for the apartment in St. Paul and he will meet the plane and take them right to the apartment. Mr. Coulter will call me as soon as he is in the apartment and everything is settled.

I advised Mr. Ladd of an anonymous telephone call received this morning from an individual in Chicago, who advised that Doc Moran under the name of Mason, is presently associated with Dr. Wells, 64th and Grove Avenue, Chicago. Mr. Ladd stated this would be checked.

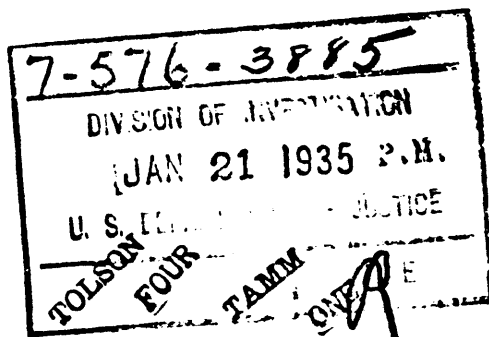
Mr. Ladd further advised that he had received instructions for four Agents to report to Clegg on Monday morning, one of whom is Suran, and that Suran is about the only man left in Chicago who knows anything about the Bremer file, and that it would be unwise to let him go out before the bunch returns from Florida or before McIntyre returns from St. Paul. I requested that he wait until Saturday morning before passing on this, and that he remind me of it on Saturday morning in order that a decision could be reached.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois

January 21, 1935

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,  
I.O. 1232; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.  
KIDNAPING.

Enclosed herewith is a claim check which was presented to the owner of a garage in Chicago by a person who was later partially identified as Alvin Karpis.

It is requested that any latent fingerprints appearing thereon be compared with those of Alvin Karpis in an effort to identify him as being the person who called for this automobile.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley  
E. J. CONNELLEY, *pro*  
Special Agent in Charge  
Special Assignment.

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Information concerning these cars was also furnished the Pacific Coast Division of the National Automobile Theft Bureau, 228 Pine Street, San Francisco, who advised that they would also cooperate and immediately furnish this office with any information they might receive regarding same. The National Auto Theft Bureau advised that in addition, they would write the factories manufacturing the above noted cars and request assembly information on each of the cars and have exchange cards issued to all of the Divisions with the National Auto Theft Bureau immediately advising this office should any information be received.

PENDING.

JEM:CDW

January 20, 1935

Time - 1:18 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

*ocean Karpis*

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Chicago with reference to the gun battle which the Atlantic City Police had with Karpis and Campbell this morning. I told him that it was my opinion that no one at the Philadelphia or New York Offices knows the case well enough to interrogate the two women who were captured; that in this connection, Mr. Connelley should make arrangements to proceed to Philadelphia as soon as possible and there take charge of the matter. I told him that I have instructed Mr. Harvey to remove the Burdette woman to Philadelphia, and the other woman will be removed to Philadelphia if the doctors say she is in a condition to be moved. Mr. Connelley stated that he would check the weather conditions and schedules and if possible he would take a plane to Philadelphia; if not, he will go by train, taking with him one of the Agents who knows the case.

Mr. Connelley stated that he could conveniently leave Chicago at this time; that he had communicated with Mr. Hanson at Miami and believes that he can take care of the matter down there; that he has called New York on a possible contact there and has called Detroit on a possible contact there.

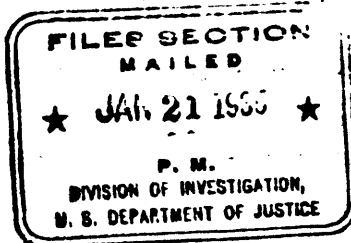
Mr. Connelley assured me that he would immediately make the necessary arrangements to proceed to Philadelphia.

Very truly yours,

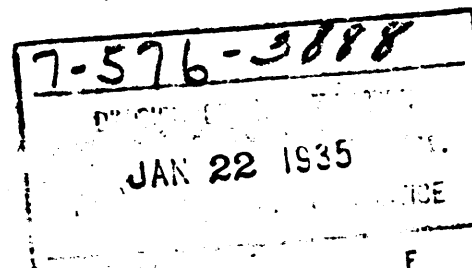
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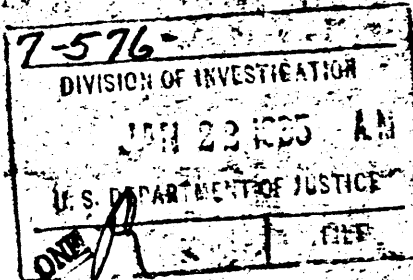


Post Office Box 4007  
Jacksonville, Florida

JIM:HAM.

January 20, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 536  
Los Angeles, California



Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases I.O. 1218  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O.  
1232; et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

After seizure of the house previously occupied  
at Oaklawaha, Florida, by Fred Barker, Kate Barker, Harry Campbell  
and Wynona Bardett, there was found, among other things, the at-  
tached memorandum, which is quoted:

" 44307  
2337 Magnolia Ave  
Long Beach Calif.

Donnie "

It is respectfully requested that your office  
conduct an appropriate and discreet investigation at the above ad-  
dress and report the results of your investigation promptly.

Very truly yours,

7-24  
CC Director  
Chicago  
Saint Paul

E. J. Connelley  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Special Assignment).

Enclosure to Los Angeles

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*My* DIRECTOR

BREKID GRAND JURY ADJOURNED UNTIL TOMORROW

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<sup>CAMPBELL</sup>  
BREKID SUBJECTS HARRY ~~SIFUM~~ AND ALVIN KARPIS STOP ATLANTIC CITY  
CAMPBELL  
NEW JERSEY POLICE IN GUN FIGHT WITH KARPIS AND ~~SIFUM~~ FIVE FIFTY AM  
JANUARY TWENTIETH ESCAPED IN PEA GREEN PONTIAC COACH NINETEEN  
THIRTY FIVE NEW JERSEY LICENSE A THREE NAUGHT SEVEN THREE ENGINE  
NUMBER TEN THREE NINE THREE EIGHT TWO SERIAL EIGHT EIGHT SEVEN  
THREE EIGHT SIX DELORES DELANEY SHOT IN LEG CAPTURED WITH WINONA  
BURDETT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN DISTRICT ADVISED ALSO ALL  
FERRY AND BRIDGE CONNECTIONS COVERED AGENTS AT ATLANTIC CITY  
CONDUCTING NECESSARY INVESTIGATION FORM WAIVERS SIGNED BY DELANEY  
AND BURDETT ALSO DOCTORS CERTIFICATES AS TO DELANEY BEING GOOD  
ENOUGH CONDITION FOR REMOVAL TO OFFICE WITHOUT SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES  
TWENTY TWO COLT REVOLVER AND TWENTY TWO RIFLE FOUND IN BUICK CAR  
ABANDONED BY SIFUM AND KARPIS STOP DELANEY AND BURDETT TAKEN TO  
PHILA OFFICE SIGNED STATEMENT GIVEN BY BURDETT ADMITS ASSOCIATION  
WITH MEMBERS OF GANG WITH KNOWLEDGE THAT THEY ARE FEDERAL FUGITIVES  
AND ONE EXPECTED BY DELANEY STOP BURDETT AT SAINT GEORGES APT OCCUPYING  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 21, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM. *S*

With reference to the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. 1218; Arthur R. Barker with aliases, I.O. 1219; Russell Gibson with aliases, I.O. 1213; Dr. Joseph P. Moran with alias, I.O. 1232, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping please be advised that the fingerprints of Elmer Farmer, our #62348, were compared with the latent fingerprints developed in connection with this case, but no identification was effected.

In accordance with Mr. Newby's request, a copy of the fingerprint record of this individual is attached herewith.

Respectfully,

*E. P. Coffey*

E. P. Coffey.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
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Post Office Box 1186,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

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Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I. O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,  
with aliases, I. O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases,  
I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P.  
MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1222;  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
Victim. KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul file No. 7-20.

On January 13, 1935, Miss Susan of the Adolph Bremer household telephoned and stated she was speaking for Mr. Adolph Bremer and that Dr. George E. Brown of the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, had telephoned Mr. Bremer on that date and stated one of his patients at the Mayo Clinic had some information in the Bremer kidnaping case.

An agent of this office telephoned Dr. Brown; and he stated that one Silas Moline, a Postal Railway clerk of Iowa City, had informed him that certain persons living adjacent to him in Iowa City were conducting themselves in a highly suspicious manner at the time of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer. Dr. Brown in his telephone conversation stated that in his opinion, Mr. Moline is a responsible individual.

Dr. Brown was requested to furnish information that would make it easy to locate Mr. Moline; and on January 14th, a letter was received from Dr. Brown advising that Mr. Moline could best be contacted through Mr. H. L. Stephenson, Chief Clerk, Railway Mail Service, Federal Building, Sioux City. He also advised that Mr. Moline was desirous of an interview with an agent of this Division. Mr. Moline requested through Dr. Brown that contact be made with him through Mr. Stephenson and not at his home.

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This is submitted to you with the request that when convenient, an agent interview Mr. Molins.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

OCH:EV3  
Cc Division ✓  
Cc Chicago

Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida

January 20, 1935

RAA:SLH

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases--I. O. #1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases--I. O. #1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1238;  
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;  
KIDNAPING

At about 1:00 A. M. on January 20, 1935, SAC J. H. Hanson from Miami, Florida, advised that it had been positively determined that Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney left Miami at 5:00 P. M. on Wednesday, January 16, 1935. Concerning this matter, it appears that the police department in Miami has made some investigation and has broadcast the description of the car in which they were traveling. Hanson stated that this car was a tudor Buick sedan, 1935 model, bought at Miami, bearing 1935 license tag D-5306, motor number 4949155, serial number 2783525. It was bought at Miami under the name of Leroy Morrison, 444 Main Street, Buffalo, New York. Hanson states that he talked to the doctor who treated Dolores Delaney and he said she was past due, the baby should have been born between January 14-18, that her pregnancy is not very noticeable. Karpis is now carrying a .45 automatic pistol and a rifle. Hanson also stated that the Miami police had advised the Tampa and West Palm Beach police departments to be on the look-out for this car. He suggested that all hospitals be checked between Miami and Jacksonville. I advised him that I would arrange to check the hospitals north of Jacksonville.

Immediately at the conclusion of my telephone conversation with Hanson, I contacted Captain Cannon of the local police department and furnished him with a description of the car and occupants; however, I furnished no names. I requested that he broadcast this over the police chain radio, which he said he would do immediately. I also requested him that in the event this car was located the Jacksonville police department should be notified, who, in turn, would notify the Jacksonville office.

At about 7:00 A. M. on January 20, 1935, Captain Cannon contacted me by telephone, advising that the Jacksonville police department was in receipt of the following telegram, dated at Atlantic City, New Jersey:

"LOCATED BUICK SEDAN FLORIDA NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE TAG D FIVE THREE NAUGHT SIX COVERING TO APPREHEND OCCUPANTS WIRE DETAILS AND CHARGES WILL ADVISE WHEN APPREHENDED"

(Signed) JAMES MCENAMIN  
CHIEF OF POLICE

I immediately contacted Mr. Tamm of the Division, furnishing him with the facts contained in above quoted telegram. This information was also given to Mr. Moore of the Division. Mr. Tamm stated that he would

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immediately handle the matter out of Washington. I then contacted SAC Hanson at Miami and SAC Connelley at Ocala, so that any plans they had in mind could be changed in view of this recent information.

SAC Connelley stated that with reference to the foreign Agents now in this district that Stapleton and the two Agents from Charlotte should return to their headquarters, as previously planned; that if nothing additional happens in this district the list of Agents given to Stapleton could return to their headquarters tonight.

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge

Jax #7-24

Div  
St Paul  
Chicago  
Mr Connelley

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

RAA:MFS

Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

January 21, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. 1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1213  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O.  
1232; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING.

I am enclosing two signed copies of receipts, dated January 21, 1935, for currency which I turned over to the United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida. In each list the notes and their description are listed separately.

This currency was recovered at the house located on Lake Weir, near Oklawaha, Florida, where Kate and Fred Barker were living when they were killed on January 16, 1935.

I am also enclosing signed copy of receipt dated January 21, 1935, for the Buick Coupe, which I turned over to the United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida.

This automobile was located by Agents in the garage near the house on Lake Weir, near Oklawaha, Florida, where Kate and Fred Barker were residing up to January 16, 1935.

The above mentioned currency and automobile were turned over to the Marshal pursuant to Mr. Tamm's telephonic instructions on January 19, 1935.

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Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,

Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - St. Paul  
Chicago  
E. J. Connelley,  
Post Office Box 829.

On January 21, 1935, at Jacksonville, Florida,  
RECEIVED from SAC R. A. Alt of the Division of  
Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

BUICK COUPE, motor number 2884746, bearing  
Illinois license tags for 1934 number  
750-974, speedometer reading 23619,  
equipped with Philco radio -

*Harry C. Reeve*  
U. S. Marshal for the Southern  
Judicial District of Florida

*By: R. E. Dwyer*  
Deputy U. S. Marshal

Witness:-  
*J. P. Lcaus,*  
Special agent.

NOTE: On January 20th, 1935, automobile des-  
cribed in this receipt was turned over to me  
in Jacksonville, Florida, by Special Agent J. C.  
White, who recovered it in a garage at Lake Weir,  
near Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935, where  
Kate and Fred Barker were living before they were  
killed on January 16, 1935.

*(Signature)*  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

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FOUR (4) \$1000.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	Atlanta	F 00004837 A	1928
2	"	F 00009897 A	1928
3	"	F 00020337 A	1928
4	"	F 00020574 A	1928

ONE (1) \$50.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	Cleveland	D 01715647 A	1928 A

ONE (1) \$10.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	Atlanta	F 09996856 A	1928 B

ONE (1) \$10.00 SILVER CERTIFICATE

	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	A 04725095 A	1934

THREE (3) \$1.00 SILVER CERTIFICATES

	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	D 52344621 B	1928 B
2	G17629161 B	1928 A
3	F 36928187 B	1928 B

On January 21, 1935, at Jacksonville, Florida, RECEIVED the above listed currency in total amount of \$4,073.00 from SAC R. A. ALE of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice:

*Ann C. Reed*  
 U. S. Marshal for the Southern Judicial District  
 of Florida

*By: Dr. E. H. Nystrom*  
*Neputy U. S. Marshal.*

*Witness :-*  
*J. P. Lescar,*  
*Special Agent.*

NOTE: The currency listed in this receipt was turned over to me by Special Agent in Charge, T. N. Stapleton, at Jacksonville, Florida, on January 20, 1935, in the total amount of \$4,073.00. This money was recovered in the house located on Lake Weir, near Oklawaha, Florida, after Kate and Fred Barker had been killed on January 16, 1935. The four \$1000.00 bills were found in the money belt of Fred Barker. The \$50.00 bill was found in Fred Barker's purse. The remainder of the currency listed in this receipt was found in the right hand pocket of Fred Barker's trousers.

*[Signature]*  
 Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation,  
 U. S. Department of Justice, Jacksonville, Florida.

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1 Atlanta	F 00014861A	1928 ✓
2 "	F 00023463A	1928 ✓
3 Chicago	G 00070119A	1928 ✓
4 Atlanta	F 00010188A	1928 ✓
5 "	F 00019237A	1928 ✓
6 "	F 00014906A	1928 ✓
7 "	F 00019238A	1928 ✓
8 "	F 00019531A	1928 ✓
9 "	F 00022437A	1928 ✓
10 "	F 00022464A	1928 ✓

FOUR (4) \$50.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES

1 New York	B 01861588A	1928 A ✓
2 New York	B 02408286A	1928 A ✓
3 Cleveland	D 00800189A	1928 A ✓
4 Chicago	G 02329603A	1928 A ✓

ONE (1) \$20.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE

1 New York	B 25386560A	1928B ✓
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ONE (1) \$10.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE

1 Chicago	G 44630390A	1928B ✓
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1 One (1) \$5.00 Note-A 004759	1929 (9926) ✓
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Four (4) \$1.00 Silver Certificates

1	F 64868659B	1928B ✓
2	F 10544336B	1928B ✓
3	G 47627382B	1928B ✓
4	F 54390482B	1928B ✓

On January 21, 1935, at Jacksonville, Florida, RECEIVED the above listed currency in total amount of \$10,239.00 from SAC R. A. Alt of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice:

*Ray C. Reed*  
U. S. Marshal for the Southern Judicial District of Florida

*Witness:*  
*J. P. Lucas*  
Special Agent

*By: R. E. Wynd*  
Deputy U. S. Marshal

NOTE: On January 18, 1935, at Jacksonville, Florida, at about 8:00 P. M., Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin, turned over to me the currency listed in this receipt, in the total amount of \$10,239.00. This money was recovered in the pocket book belonging to Kate Barker, found in the house in which Kate and Fred Barker were living, which is located on Lake Weir, near Oklawaha, Florida. The date of recovery being January 16, 1935, after Kate Barker and Fred Barker were killed.

*[Signature]*  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Jacksonville, Florida.



P. O. DRAWER 1487,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

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January 21, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

You will recall that some time ago Special Agent W. L. BUCHANAN was instructed to proceed to Chicago, Ill. for assignment. Owing to the fact he had secured a room next door to the home of Willie Harrison who is wanted for questioning in connection with the Bremer case and has been on that plant for some time his transfer was delayed. He is still at St. Louis on the plant in question and in view of the recent developments in the Bremer case I would appreciate if you would advise me whether you believe he should remain here on the plant in question, owing to the fact Willie Harrison may appear in St. Louis at any date, or whether he should proceed to Chicago.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. Tamm

Mr. Carusi telephoned and stated that the following two questions have arisen in regard to the statement released to the press concerning the apprehension of Doc Barker: (1) An explanation as to the length of time this man has been in custody without our having told the press. (2) What time will he be in St. Paul.

With reference to question No. 1, I told him that he could say that this man was kept in custody pending the capture of other members of the gang whose apprehension was expected at any time, and who were captured yesterday. With reference to question No. 2, I told him that Barker would be in St. Paul about five or six o'clock our time.

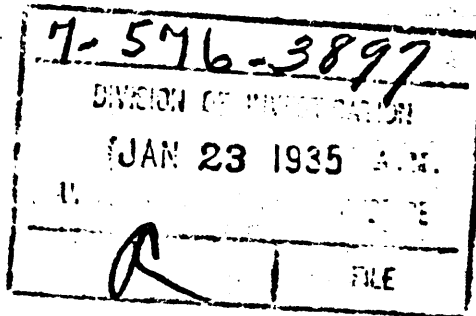
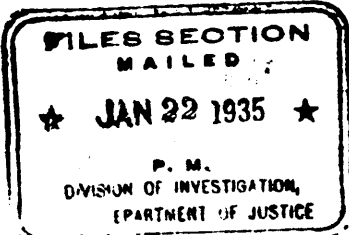
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Clegg.....  
Laughman.....  
Clerk.....  
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Mr. Nease.....  
Miss Gandy.....

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Stanley, Mr. Stanley made inquiry concerning the outcome of the gun battle in Florida.

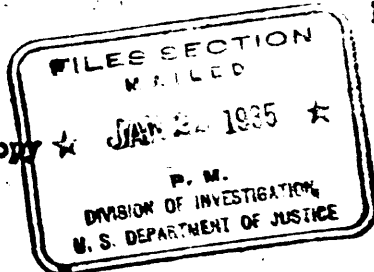
I informed Mr. Stanley that the coroner's jury brought in a verdict that Kate and Fred Barker were killed by Agents of the Department of Justice while resisting arrest.

I stated that we found in Kate Barker's pocketbook, ten \$1,000 bills, quite a number of \$50 bills, and \$10 bills, and smaller money; that we found \$4,000 on Fred Barker in his money belt; and that we also got nine or ten guns and twenty-five boxes of ammunition. Mr. Stanley said that the money might be a part of the ransom money and I stated that it was doubtful, but that we were checking that angle now. I further stated that we had asked the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, Florida to either go to Oklawaha or send someone and take possession of the money, guns, and ammunition, because under the state law, the coroner is supposed to take possession of them.

I told Mr. Stanley that our Agents were moving on to Miami Beach where they might have to raid a place tonight.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.  
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Mr. Clegg.....  
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Mr. Coffey.....  
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Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....

JEH:HW

January 17, 1935.

Time-2:09 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Stanley, reference was made to a memorandum for the Attorney General in regard to the Karpis-Barker gang.

I stated that "Doc" Barker was at the present time en route to St. Paul, but would not land in St. Paul until 4:00 or 5:00 o'clock (St. Paul time); and that at the Attorney General's Press Conference, scheduled to be held at 3:00 o'clock P.M., I was of the opinion that the fact should merely be given out that "Doc" Barker was in custody, but was not being held in Chicago; and that no mention should be made of where he actually was.

Very truly yours,

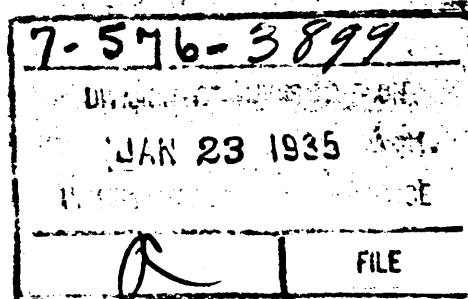
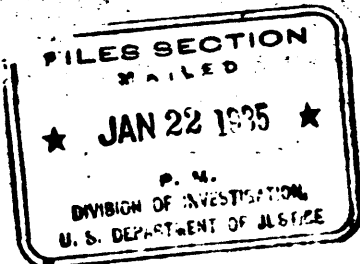
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Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 22, 1935.

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10:00am

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

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I called Mr. Schroeder, of the New York City Office, and instructed him to contact the officials of the National City Bank of New York for the purpose of ascertaining whether authority could be granted representatives of this Division to enter the safe deposit box of Alvin Karpis, which is located in the branch of that bank at Havana, Cuba. I suggested to Mr. Schroeder that he put a hypothetical proposition to the officials without disclosing our interest in the safe deposit box and thereby causing preventing publicity. Mr. Schroeder stated that he would immediately telephone the Division after a contact had been made with the officials of that bank.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby  
R. E. Newby.

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Washington, D. C.

January 22, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

I telephoned to Mr. Alt, at Jacksonville, and advised him of the request we had received from Mr. W. E. Fox, Probation Officer, Federal Building, Miami, Florida, to have an Agent of the Division call upon him for information concerning those whose names had appeared recently in press dispatches arising out of the Karpis-Campbell matter. Mr. Alt stated that he was personally acquainted with Mr. Fox and considered him very unreliable, but that he would have an Agent call upon Mr. Fox and obtain any information he may care to furnish without, of course, permitting Mr. Fox to learn of the Division's activities in Miami.

Also, I instructed Mr. Alt to communicate with Special Agent in Charge ~~Mr.~~ Hanson, at Miami, and have him send airmail, special delivery, fingerprints and a photograph of Duke Randall, who is now being questioned by Agents there.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
R. E. Newby.

*Alvin Karpis*

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Washington, D. C.

January 21, 1935

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Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

1:40 P.M.

Mr. Hanson called in connection with the Bremer case to advise that they had Duke Randall. Randall claims that last May when he was living at the Grant Hotel in Newark, New Jersey he met Joe Adams, the manager of the El Commodora Hotel down there; that Adams at that time came up there to try and buy a dog track and he chauffeured Adams around the city for a couple of weeks as a result of which a close friendship sprang up and they corresponded; that Adams invited him to come down to Miami, stating maybe he could help him get a job, especially when the dog season started; that as a result of this Randall and a boy named Gregory Codoma came down to Miami together and lived at Adams' hotel for a while, and while there, about the first week of December, they saw Fred Barker and his mother around the lobby of the hotel, also Harry Campbell. Randall stated he did not know any of them by their names and was never introduced to them, but he had seen Joe Adams talking with them and he had spoken to them several times. The Ford coupe which Randall now has, and which car Karpis bought in Cleveland, was bought by him from Fred Barker for \$300. Mr. Hanson stated they now have this car. Randall claims Barker at that time used the name of Charles M. Bronson.

Randall also stated that he bought for Karpis the Buick sedan which he had; that Adams had brought Karpis over to Randall in the lobby of the hotel, and introduced him to him as Morrison, asking him if he would not do Karpis a favor; that Karpis told him the car he had picked out and gave him twelve \$100 bills, and that he bought the car and gave it to Karpis. Hanson stated they had found the bill of sale for the car in Randall's home. Randall further claims that on Tuesday or Wednesday of last week Winona Burdette had come to him at the race track where he worked and asked for a letter of recommendation to some hotel in Atlantic City; that there was no indication that they were leaving town hurriedly, so he gave them a letter to the hotel up there. He stated Winona Burdette was with Karpis' girl at that time.

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Randall claims that is all he knows about them, that he did not give them any other addresses and had no idea where they were going. Hanson stated they will continue to work on him and try to secure more information.

Hanson stated there had been no publicity down there about picking Randall up; that the only thing in the papers was a United Press dispatch from Atlantic City saying that the Department of Justice had advised they were going to pick up a man named "Duke" down in Miami.

Hanson stated that he thought we should attempt to secure more information from Randall before picking up Joe Adams, in connection with a harboring charge. I requested that he attempt to get everything possible before picking <sup>him</sup> up and attempt to make a harboring case on him.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.



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PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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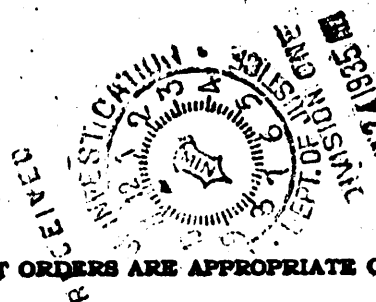
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BREKID MILDRED KUHLMAN AND RUTH HEIDT RELEASED CHICAGO TONIGHT.  
KUHLMAN RETURNING TO TOLEDO, OHIO. BOTH THESE GIRLS WILL KEEP IN  
TOUCH WITH CHICAGO DIVISION OFFICE. CLARA GIBSON TO BE TURNED OVER TO  
CHICAGO POLICE TUESDAY MORNING.

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HAROLD ALLDERTON FURNISHED SIGNED STATEMENT TO EFFECT IN MIDDLE DEC. 1933 HE WAS APPROACHED BY ELMER FARMER AND FRED GOETZ CONCERNING "PLANTING" A COUPLE MEN IN HIS HOUSE AT BENSONVILLE TO WHICH HE AGREED AND ABOUT MIDDLE OF JANUARY 1934 AT ABOUT MIDNITE KARPIS CAME TO HIS DOOR AND ASKED IF HE WAS ALONE ALLDERTON WENT OUT TO GARAGE AND SAW BUICK SEDAN WITH THREE MEN IN IT. AFTER L PUTTING CAR IN GARAGE HE RETURNED TO HOUSE AND SAW "HEAVY" PARTIALLY IDENTIFIED AS WILLIAM WEAVER, AND ONE GEORGE PARTIALLY IDENTIFIED AS HARRY CAMPBELL AND KARPIS AND DOC BARKER. AT THEIR REQUEST HE HEATED WATER FOR "A FIFTH BOY WHO HAD A BUMP ON HIS HEAD". THE FOLLOWING MORNING ON READING IN PAPER O F BREMER KIDNAPING ALLDERTON ASKED IF THE FIFTH PARTY IN THE BEDROOM WAS BREMER HE RECEIVED AN AFFIRMATIVE FROM DOC BARKER. STATES HE AND FARMER ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS PURCHASED GROCERIES FOR KARPIS AND COXX DOC, HE ALSO PURCHASED GAUZE TO BANDAGE BREMERS HEAD. FRED GOETZ AND MONTY CARTER EACH IN HOUSE ON SEVERAL OCCASSIONS DURING TIME BREMER HELD ALSO A PARTY PARTIALLY IDENTIFIED AS FRED BARKER. EACH OF THE MEN HAD AUTOMATIC PISTOLS AND THERE WAS ALSO TWO MACHINE GUNS.

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WHEN BREMER WAS TAKEN AWAY THE CHEVROLET COUPE OF GOETZ WAS USED. ALLDERTON STATES HE OBTAINED FOUR, FIVE GALLONS ALCOHOL CANS FROM FARMER WHICH HE HAD FILLED WITH GASOLINE AND THESE WERE PLACED IN A BUICK SEDAN. HE ADMITS HAVING RECEIVED \$1000 FOR THE USE OF HIS HOUSE \$100 ON DAY OF DEPARTURE AND THREE LATER INSTALLMENTS OF \$380 AND \$500. HE IDENTIFIES GAS CANS RECOVERED AT PORTAGE, WISCONSIN AS BEING SAME TYPE ALCOHOL CANS HE HAD FILLED FOR SUBJECTS.

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BREKID RE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION LAST NIGHT BOLTON DENIES KNOWING FITZGERALD

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Re - Alvin Karpis - Harry Campbell  
capture these men alive if possible  
reported at Atlantic City - N.J.  
Campbell - is a man used by three  
fingered Abe - J. Hamilton for Scotty Gow.  
wanted - in Lindbergh murder case &  
many other jobs.

JAN 24 1935 Prof. Mushroom



Post Office Box  
Chicago Illinois

January 24, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218, et al,  
Edward George Bremer - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Among the numerous guns found on the occasion of the raid at  
3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on the apartment of  
Russell Gray, alias "Slim" Gray, was the following pistol, .38  
Calibre Colt Automatic #681720.

The New York Office advised by teletype dated January 14, 1935  
that this gun was sold to Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Company,  
Chicago, Illinois on April 26, 1928.

Mr. H. P. Gatchel, Firearms Department, Hibbard, Spencer, Bart-  
lett & Company, 211 East North Water Street, Chicago, Illinois,  
stated that according to his records the above described pistol  
was sold by his concern to the Thomas Hardware Company, Tulsa,  
Oklahoma on July 3, 1928. It is respectfully requested that you  
immediately conduct appropriate inquiry at the Thomas Hardware  
Company for the purpose of ascertaining if possible the identity  
of the purchaser of this pistol.

Photographs of Arthur R. (Doc) Barker and Byron Bolton, which were  
taken in the Chicago Office after these men were apprehended  
recently are enclosed to exhibit to the Thomas Hardware Company.

Very truly yours,

R. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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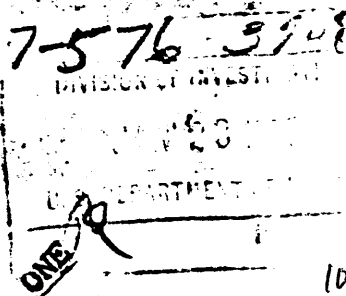
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Name department forwarding  
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Offense for which wanted  
If for ESCAPE give date  
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and offense for which being

Name and address of parties to be notified of apprehension

DESCRIPTIVE DATA AS OUTLINED BELOW SHOULD BE SUPPLIED ONLY WHEN NOT  
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in year  
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Marital Status

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

ms. ay  
Mr. Connelley called me this evening and advised that two men in Allentown, Pennsylvania, around midnight last night, kidnaped Dr. H. H. Honficker who was driving a Plymouth coach, motor number, PE 209213, serial number, 2378079, Pennsylvania license number, 39179. After kidnaping the doctor, they drove with him to Wadsworth, Ohio, which is between Medina and Akron. At Wadsworth, they broke into Grange Hall and tied up the doctor. This hall is located on U. S. Highway 224. He was tied up tonight about nine o'clock and it took him about an hour for him to free himself. He is now in custody of Chief of Police Lucas at Wadsworth, Ohio. This car has a green doctor's emblem on it and it also has inside a black bag and a box of books.

One of the men was taller than the other and the short one had a dark complexion. This description fitted the description of Campbell and Karpis. After they put the doctor out, they departed with the car.

Mr. Connelley stated that he called Mr. Larson and supplied him with the above information. Mr. Larson is checking Toledo and Cleveland where these men have contacts. Mr. Connelley stated that the Sheriff at Medina has already broadcasted this information over the various networks and Pennsylvania has also broadcasted over their networks. I instructed Mr. Connelley to call Chicago and advise them accordingly and also to have Mr. Larson send someone down to Wadsworth to interview the doctor.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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BREKID. FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY DIVISION AGENTS AT ATLANTIC CITY NJ.

WYNONA BURDETTE WAS LIVING ON ELM STREET, PONCA CITY, OKLA WITH SISTER JIMMIE AND EUNICE IN NOVEMBER 1934. HARRY CAMPBELL PICKED HER UP THERE ABOUT NOVEMBER 21-1934 AND DROVE IN A BLACK FORD SEDAN TO FRED PARKERSXX BARKERS PLACE AT OKLAWAHA FLORIDA. KATE AND FRED WERE THERE WHEN THEY ARRIVED ABOUT DECEMBER 1-1934. THE ONLY VISITORS THERE WHILE SHE STAYED WERE DOC BARKER ON NEW YEARS DAY AND NIGHT AND ALVIN KARPIS ON WEDNESDAY JANUARY 9-1935. KARPIS WAS STAYING IN A HOUSE HE HAD RENTED IN MIAMI FLORIDA, EXACT LOCATION UNKNOWN. CAMPBELL AND WYNONA LEFT OKLAWAHA SUNDAY JANUARY 13-1935 IN CAMPBELLS BLACK FORD SEDAN FLORIDA LICENSE PLATES AND DROVE TO KARPIS HOUSE AT MIAMI. MET DOLORES DELANEY THERE FOR FIRST TIME. CAMPBELL GAVE WYNONA FOUR FIFTY DOLLAR BILLS. TWO OF THEM HAVE BEEN RECOVERED FROM HERE. HER. ALVIN KARPIS DELORES DELANEY AND HARRY CAMPBELL ALL STAYED

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IN MIAMI FLORIDA FROM SUNDAY JANUARY 13-1935 TO WEDNESDAY JANUARY 16-1935  
THEY HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED BY KARPIS TO GO TO THE DANMORE HOTEL 123  
SOUTH KENTUCKY AVE REGISTERING IN NAME OF MRS A B GRAHAM AND SISTER  
IN ROOM 49 XX 400. ALVIN AND HARRY ARRIVED ABOUT ONE AM SATURDAY  
JANUARY 19-1935 AND REGISTERED IN NAME OF R F CARSON AND G C CAMERON.  
KARPIS UNDER THE NAME OF CAMERON AND CAMPBELL UNDER THE NAME OF CARSON.  
DOLORES APPROACHED MR BILL MORLEY MANAGER OF THE DANMORE HOTEL  
FRIDANXX FRIDAY AFTERNOON FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING A DOCTOR FOR  
THE DELIVERY OF HER BABY DUE JANUARY 17-1935. DR CARL SORAN WAS  
CALLED BY MRS MORLEY SATURDAY MORNING. HE INTERVIEWED DELORES AT NOON.  
SHE TOLD HIM SHE WAS WIRING TO NEW YORK AND WOULD TELL DR SORAN LATER  
WHETHER SHE SHOULD XX WOULD STAY IN ATLANTIC CITY OR GO TO NEW YORK  
FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE BABY. MORELY SAYS HE WAS APPROACHED BY A MAN  
IDENTIFIED AS KARPIS TO ARRANGE CASHING OF A THOUSAND DOLLAR BILL ON  
SATURDAY. BUICK SEDAN DRIVEN FROM FLORIDA WAS STORED AT THE COAST  
GARAGE 172 S KENTUDKY AVE. ATLANTIC CITY POLICE RECEIVED TELETYPE

FLASH ABOUT TWO AM SUNDAY MORNING TO LOCATE AND APPREHEND OCCUPANTS OF DESCRIBED BUICK. NO DETAILS OR NAMES GIVEN. OFFICER SAKK XX SAAK LOCATED CAR AT COAST GARAGE AT 3-35 AM AND FOUND THAT OCCUPANTS WERE STAINXX STAYING AT DANMORE HOTEL. DELAYS FOLLOWED IN DETERMINING THE GUESTS WHO HAD STORED CAR. ATLANTIC CITY POLICE NOT KNOWING IDENTITY OF PERSONS FINALLY LOCATED THEIR ROOM AT ABOUT 6-30 AM AND CALLED ON OCCUPANTS TO SURRENDER. GUNFIRE FROM ROOM FOLLOWED AND KARPIS AND CAMPBELL RAN DOWN HALLWAY TO BACK STAIRWAY AND DOWN FOUR FLIGHTS OF STAIRS, FIRING AS THEY RAN. EXAMINATION OF HOTEL DISCLOSES NOT OVER SIX SHOTS FIRED IN HOTEL OF WHICH NOT MORE THAN TWO WERE FIRED BY POLICE. ONE SHOT OF FUGITIVES WENT THRU WALL AND PASSED THRU CALF OF RIGHT LEG OF DELORES IN ANOTHER ROOM. GIRLS FOLLOWED GUXX FUGITIVES DOWN STAIRWAY AND OUT. FUGITIVES APPROACHED GARAGE AT FAST WALK AND NOTICINT POLICE ACROSS THE STREET TOOK FIRST CAR AVAILABLE A 1935 PONTIAC TWO DOOR GREEN COACH MOTOR NO 1039381// 1039382 SERIAL NO 887386 1935 NEW JERSEY LICENS PLATES A 3073 OWNED BY MRS ELSIE BRAND 44 S PLAZA AVE ATLANTIC CITY. CAR HAD METAL REAR TIRE COVER NO SPARE TIRE BUILT IN TRUNK, AND WAS ABOUT FIVE WEEKS OLD. ESTIMATED MILEAGE 1500. GAS TANK ONE HALF FULL. ONE FUGITIVE WITH GUN POSSIBLY A TOMMY STOOD GUARD AT GARAGE

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ENTRANCE WHILE OTHER SECURED CAR. OFFICERS CLAIM FUGITIVE FIRED AT THEM. NO EFFECT AND THAT THEY RETURNED FIRE. APPARENTLY SAME EFFECT. GIRLS EVIDENTLY COULD NOT LOCATE FUGITIVES AND RETURNED TO HOTEL ROOM WHERE THEY WERE LATER TAKEN INTO CUSTODY. FUGITIVES CIRCLED BLOCK APPARENTLY CONFUSED BY DEAD END STREETS AT BOARD WALK AND PASSED POLICE OFFICERS SEVERAL TIMES SHOOTING AT THEM AND OFFICERS SAY THEY RETURNED THE FIRE. PATROL CAR ATTEMPTED PURSUIT BUT SON LOST THEM. LAST SEEN HEADED WEST ON PACTXX PACIFIC AVE. GIRLS WERE SEND TXXX SENT TO DANMORE HOTEL BY DUKE RANDALL LAST KNOWN ADDRESS TAMIANI HOTEL MIAMI FLORIDA. POSSIBLY NOW IN PHILADELPHIA. FORMER BAND LEADER AT ATLANTIC CITY. RANDALL ALSO REFERRED KARPIS TO DANIEL YOUNG MANAGER NEW RICHMOND HOTEL AND TO ROBERT BROWN 137 MASSACHUSETTS AVE. BUICK TWO DOOR COACH BLACK NOW IN POSSESSION OF ATLANTIC CITY POLICE. 1935 FLORIDA LICENSE PLATES D-53006// XX \$- D-5306 , 1935 MODEL, BUILT IN TRUNK IN REAR WITH METAL DX TIRE COVER. THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT WAS FOUND

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IN CAR

ONE 22 COLT AUTOMATIC TARGET PISTOL NO 93719

ONE 22 RIFLE WINCHESTER REPEATER MODEL 03 NO 124138

OFFICERS FOUND IN FUGITIVES ROOM AT HOTEL

ONE 32 WINCHESTER RIFLE LEVER ACTION MODEL 1886 NO 154112

DUKE RANDALLS DESCRIPTION. FIVE FETXX FEET TEN IN HEIGHT. WEIGHT  
165 POUNDS. BROWN EYES. DARK HAIR. PROMINENT NOSE. JEWISH.

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*Allentown is close to  
the point where the  
Pontiac sedan was  
recovered*

E. A. Tamm - Room 5107



Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois

January 22, 1935

Director  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I. O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232,  
et al.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith photographs and lifts of latent fingerprint impressions found on guns and various other articles obtained from the apartments located at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue and 432 Surf Street, Chicago, Illinois, and occupied respectively by Russell Gibson and Arthur "Doc" Barker.

In the case of photographs of latent fingerprint impressions found on the Browning machine rifles best photographs possible were made. It will be noted, however, that the fingerprint impressions appearing in these photographs are very indistinct, and therefore the original negatives of these photographs are being transmitted herewith, as it is believed that better prints may be made from these negatives showing the latent prints more clearly for comparison purposes.

It is desired that these latent fingerprints be compared with the fingerprint impressions of all persons known to have a connection with the above entitled case.

Kindly furnish me a report concerning any identifications made at the earliest possible time.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley  
E. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
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Post Office Box 612,  
Chicago, Illinois  
January 22, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:-

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, et al,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,  
Kidnaping  
Chicago File 7-82

Reference is made to call received at this office from Special Agent in Charge Vetterli of the St. Louis Office concerning 1934 Buick coupe recovered at Ocala, Florida, which car bore Illinois 1934 license 750-974, and which it was determined, had been sold through the Ross O. Judd Motor Sales of 114 Walnut Street, St. Charles, Illinois.

Special Agent R. C. Gillies is conducting an investigation concerning this matter and obtained the following information:

Interview was had with Mr. Ross O. Judd of the Ross O. Judd Sales, 114 Walnut Street, St. Charles, Illinois, who stated that the above-mentioned automobile, described as a 1934 Buick Coupe, Serial #2725773, Motor #283746, was sold by his brother, Mr. Elmer M. Judd of 4143 Cottage Grove Avenue on March 10, 1934; that the entire transaction was handled by Elmer M. Judd, although it was handled in the name of the Ross O. Judd Sales, St. Charles, Illinois. He exhibited to Agent the original car order showing the sale of the above-mentioned car from the Buick Company to his concern. He stated that the sale price of the car was something over \$1100.00.

In connection with the license plates which were bought at his address, Mr. Ross O. Judd stated that these plates came to his place of business apparently at the direction of his brother and that three men called for the plates at a later date. He stated that he would be unable to make any identification, as the only time he saw them was when they called for the plates. He was shown photographs of all members of the Barker-Karpis gang, but could make no identifications.

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Mr. Judd further stated that his records indicated that the transaction was handled for his brother by R. P. Loper, an employee of Elmer M. Judd, 4143 Cottage Grove Avenue. Mr. Judd stated that the reason this car was sold in his name was because of an arrangement had with his brother, whereby his brother, Elmer M. Judd, would occasionally make sales of new automobiles, and inasmuch as Elmer M. Judd had no license and was not a dealer, all sales of new cars were made in the name of Ross O. Judd Sales, St. Charles, Illinois; that Elmer M. Judd was engaged in the business of repossessing and handling cars for insurance companies.

Mr. Russell P. Loper, an employee of Elmer M. Judd, 4143 Cottage Grove Avenue, stated that he recalls making a sale of a new 1934 Buick coupe to T. C. Blackburn in March of 1934; that Blackburn came to his place of business inquiring about the purchase of a car; that he showed him a catalog and Blackburn tentatively selected a 1934 Buick coupe; that approximately a week thereafter, Blackburn again came to his place of business and placed an order for a 1934 Buick Coupe without a rumble seat; that he asked Blackburn where he could see him when the car was delivered, to which Blackburn replied that he was moving about a good deal and that he had no place where he could be reached by telephone; that thereafter the car was delivered and Blackburn called and paid for the car in \$100.00 bills. He stated that he took Blackburn next door to Mr. Fred E. Tew, Notary Public, 4141 Cottage Grove Avenue, where Blackburn notarized the application for license. Further, that he suggested to Blackburn that since he had no regular address he give the address of Ross O. Judd Sales, 114 Walnut Street, St. Charles, Illinois, in purchasing the license plates.

Mr. Loper stated that he had never had any previous contact with Blackburn; that he was a perfect stranger to him, and that he has not seen him since that time. Photographs of all the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Mr. Loper but he was unable to make any identification. He described T. C. Blackburn as follows:

Age:	45
Height:	5'11"
Weight:	165
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Light
Hair:	Light
Appearance:	Medium well-dressed.

Mr. Loper stated that T. C. Blackburn was not seen by Mr. Elmer H. Judd as the latter was at that time on a trip to China. It will be noted that the business of Elmer H. Judd is conducted in a showroom in the front of the Daylight Garage at 4141 Cottage Grove Avenue and Mr. Loper explained that there was no connection between the Daylight Garage and the business of Elmer H. Judd. He further stated that he had no papers reflecting the transaction with T. C. Blackburn as they had been forwarded to Ross O. Judd Sales, St. Charles, Illinois.

Interview was had with Mr. Fred E. Drew, Notary Public at 4141 Cottage Grove Avenue, who stated that he could not recall notarizing an application for the bill of sale for T. C. Blackburn in March of 1934. He stated that he has numerous people calling on him to notarize papers, and it is impossible for him to remember each individual. He further stated that he had no record of the transaction.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

REN:LL

January 21, 1935

Time: 11:50

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

There was referred to me by Mr. J. V. Warnes of Unit 2, Mr. George Kelly, an attorney presently connected with the Emergency Relief Administration, who advised that he is a native of Atlantic City, New Jersey, and having read newspaper accounts of what had taken place with respect to Alvin Karpis, et al, there on Sunday morning, January 20th, and recognizing some of the men mentioned in the press dispatches, offered his assistance in the matter.

Mr. Kelly stated that he is a Democrat and has an "axe to grind" with the present Republican administration which is now in control at Atlantic City; that the "powers that be", one Enoch Johnson, Chairman of the Republican National Committee, is not really a politician but a gangster who has aligned himself with the Republican party. He stated that the Danmore Hotel is notorious as a "cooling off place" for fugitives and is run by Dan Young and Bill Morley.

Mr. Kelly stated that he was not familiar with how Karpis and his associates made their contact in Atlantic City but ventured to state that it was through dog racing interests of Newark, New Jersey and Miami, Florida; that the Newark outfit is connected with the gamblers at Atlantic City, and that if Karpis and his associates went to Atlantic City with a letter of introduction from the interests at Miami, they would no doubt receive the protection of the local government at Atlantic City.

Mr. Kelly stated that there is a <sup>club</sup> group known as the Five Hundred Club located on Missouri Avenue in Atlantic City, managed by "Doc" Coucci; that in the rear of the Five Hundred Club are a number of apartments which can be used as hideouts; further, that Sam "Cappy" Hoffman, who is presently on parole, having served three years of a five-year sentence on State narcotic charges, has approximately fourteen places where persons could be put in hiding.

Mr. Kelly stated that had the name of Karpis been mentioned in the flash sent out from Florida, that the local police would have attempted to give protection to Karpis, inasmuch as he had apparently made the "right" contacts, namely, the Danmore Hotel and the Police Surgeon, Dr. Carl Soran. Mr. Kelly stated that from

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his knowledge of Atlantic City he believes that in the event Karpis and Campbell were not seen proceeding from Atlantic City, it is quite possible they are now in hiding there. He stated that under ordinary circumstances when an alarm of a shooting affray in Atlantic City is given, the New Jersey State Highway Patrol receives this alarm immediately and generally takes steps to block the three main highways leading from Atlantic City; that augmenting this action, the local authorities at Atlantic City can immediately raise the three draw bridges, thereby preventing any escape.

Mr. Kelly suggested that representatives of this Division contact the Acting State Prosecutor at Atlantic City, Bob McAllister, a Democrat and an appointee of the Democrat Governor. Mr. Kelly stated that McAllister is opposed to the local administration and will gladly cooperate in furnishing more detailed information respecting the above setup. Mr. McAllister is considered by Mr. Kelly as being very reliable and will keep his participation in the matter confidential.

Pursuant to your instructions, I telephoned Mr. Raza Whitley at the Philadelphia Office and furnished him briefly the foregoing information and instructed him to have Agents contact Mr. McAllister for any assistance he can render in the matter.

I was advised by Mr. Whitley that Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and Special Agent J. L. Madala had arrived in Philadelphia and were presently questioning the two women who are now in custody there.

I advised Mr. Whitley that Duke Randall has been taken into custody for questioning by the Jacksonville Office.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
R. E. Newby.

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION  
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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG  
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

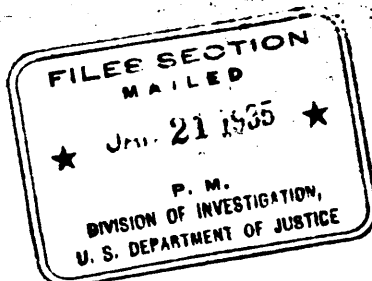
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I telephoned Mr. Harvey at New York and inquired as to what steps had been taken by Mr. Fay at New York with respect to sending down some agents to cover the situation at Atlantic City, New Jersey. Mr. Harvey stated that Agent Fierstone had just departed with four agents for there; that the only explanation for the delay in sending these agents which Mr. Fay has to offer is that when he, Mr. Fay, received the telephone call from you to send these agents, he had just gotten in bed after having been at the office all night; that upon being aroused he was somewhat sluggish, and his mind not being clear, he does not recall whether or not he instructed Agent Turron, to whom he relayed the information, to send a squad of agents to Atlantic City. Subsequent developments would seem to indicate that Agent Turron had not been so advised, Mr. Harvey indicated.

I instructed Mr. Harvey to return to Philadelphia immediately; that he should arrange with the agents at Atlantic City to have the women removed to the Philadelphia office on a waiver of removal; that care should be taken with the Delaney woman because of her condition, it being advisable to obtain a doctor's certification that such removal would not endanger the birth of her child, and if such removal would be dangerous, she should be kept in the hospital and carefully guarded. I advised Mr. Harvey that I would have Mr. Connelley come up from Florida in order that these women could be vigorously questioned by someone familiar with the details of the case. In the event the Delaney cannot be removed, I instructed Mr. Harvey to file a harboring charge against her in Atlantic City and have several agents remain there with her; but in the event both the women are removed, it would only be necessary to have one or two agents remain there to clear things up and the others could return. I also instructed Mr. Harvey to see that the various resorts along the coast were covered, but that in my opinion they would probably move into Philadelphia.

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Mr. Tracy  
Mrs. Gandy

Mr. Harvey also stated that an orchestra leader named Duke Randolph was quite familiar with the mob in Florida; that he is now playing at the Grand Hotel at Newark, probably, and Mr. Harvey is checking that phase. I told Mr. Harvey to make sure that vigorous steps are taken to cover every angle that may arise, but he, himself, should return to Philadelphia.



Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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E. P. Coffe

1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
JANUARY 21, 1935.

Postmaster  
Webb City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that it will no longer be necessary for you to maintain any further surveillance over any communications which might be received addressed to George F. Barker. The latter usually has been in receipt of mail at the State Oil Company Filling Station at Joplin, Missouri, since your office at Webb City, Missouri, has added cooperation in this matter you are requested at this time that the same is no longer essential.

Your past cooperation in matters of this kind are deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

RBS:os  
cc - Division  
In Re: Brekid.

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ONE

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida

January 22, 1935

RAA:SH

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;  
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

This will confirm my long distance telephone conversation at 9:55 A. M. on January 22, 1935, with Mr. Newby of the Division, in which he instructed that W. E. Fox, Federal Probation Officer in Miami, Florida, be contacted by an Agent of this Division, since Fox had informed the Division that he has information regarding this case. Mr. Newby requested that I wire Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson at Miami to forward immediately by air mail, special delivery, photographs and fingerprints of Duke Randall.

At the conclusion of my telephone conversation with Mr. Newby, I at once contacted Agent in Charge Hanson, furnishing him with the information above stated, and requested that he handle same in Miami.

Mr. Newby also informed that the car which Campbell and Karpis are now traveling in is a Plymouth coach, 1934 model, motor number TE 209213, body number 2378079, bearing 1935 Pennsylvania license tag number 39179; they were last seen proceeding westward on State Highway No. 224 in Ohio. This car was taken by Campbell and Karpis from a doctor in Pennsylvania some time during the day of January 21, 1935, the doctor being forced to accompany them to some distant point, where he was released and Campbell and Karpis proceeded in the doctor's car.

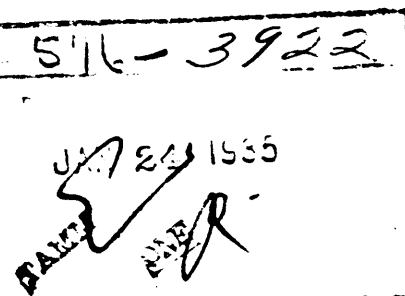
Inspector of Police, Jacksonville, Florida, E. L. Acosta, stated that this information was received by the local police department in a broadcast last night and that since that time the local broadcasting station has been putting this information on the air here for the benefit of all officers in Georgia and Florida. Inspector Acosta stated that he would continue this broadcast to be certain that all officers receive same and in the event any information is received he will immediately contact the Jacksonville office.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt, INDEXED  
Special Agent in Charge

cc E. J. Connelley  
St. Paul, Chicago  
All Agents in Jacksonville office district  
Jax #7-24

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REN:LL

January 23, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. C. No. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. C. No. 1232;  
ET AL; Edward George Bremer, VICTIM.  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the Division's efforts to locate Jess Doyle, you are instructed to obtain from the records of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary all available information respecting this individual. It appears that he was received at the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, from Tulsa County, on April 21, 1921, as Jess Doyle, No. 11261, to serve a sentence of 13 years and 4 months, charge, larceny of an automobile.

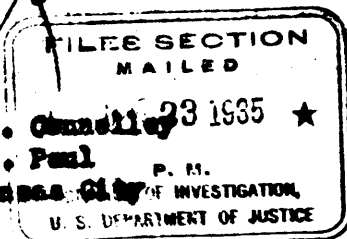
A copy of this letter is being furnished to the Kansas City Office, with the request that all available information with respect to Jess Doyle, No. 9845, be obtained from the State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, where he was received from Labette County, on March 19, 1927, to serve a sentence of from 5 to 10 years, charge, burglary (2nd degree) and grand larceny.

This matter should receive prompt attention, and appropriate leads should be set out to cover all known relatives.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Kr. Connolly  
cc-St. Paul  
cc-Kansas City  
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Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....

Time-10:55 A.M.

MEMORANDUM

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Henry Suydam, I was advised that the Attorney General was having a Press Conference at 3:00 o'clock this afternoon, and Mr. Suydam inquired if circumstances would permit any releases in regard to "Doc" Barker. I stated that there might be something ready by that time.

J. E. H.

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January 22, 1935

Director,  
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U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases--I. O. #1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases--I. O. #1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1232;  
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING

I am enclosing yellow memorandum copy of Government bill of lading No. J-69685, covering shipment of four leather bags and one metal suitcase with padlocks, which were today shipped by Railway Express Agency to the Chicago Division office.

The above equipment was found in the house on Lake Weir, Oklawaha, Florida, after Kate and Fred Barker were killed on January 16, 1935.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosure  
cc Chicago (Enclosure)  
E.J. Connelley  
St. Paul  
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(Appropriation chargeable)

Jacksonville, Florida

(Issuing office)

R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge,

January 22, 1935

(Date issued)

GOVERNMENT BILL

Division of Investigation

(Name and title of issuing officer)

OF LADING

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Received from R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge

(Consignor)

by the Railway Express Agency the public property hereinafter described  
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from Jacksonville, Florida to Chicago, Illinois

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(Consignee)

Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building  
Chicago, Illinois

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		1	Black metal suitcase with padlocks	65 lbs.
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			(With miscellaneous contents)	
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January 22, 1935 Per above (Agent)

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Tracy .....
Miss Gandy .....

Attached hereto is a copy of a memorandum dealing with Alvin Karpis and his participation in the Bremer Case. Twenty copies of this memorandum are available.

There is also attached hereto a copy of a running memorandum on the Bremer case, of which ten copies are likewise available.

These memoranda have not as yet been dated but will be dated for the date of their release.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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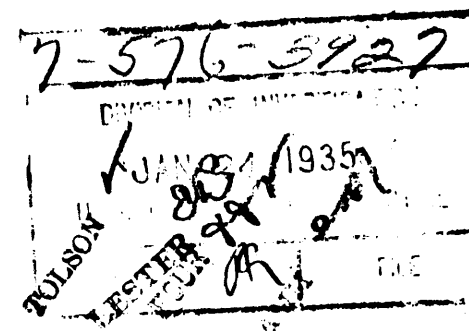
ATTORNEY GENERAL WASHINGTON DC

CONGRATULATIONS UPON THE SUCCESS OF YOUR MEN IN TRACKING DOWN THE BREMER  
KIDNAPPERS STOP WE APPRECIATE SUCH WORK BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WHICH  
IS IN LINE WITH OUR EFFORTS TO KEEP GANGSTERS AND OTHER VICIOUS CHARACTERS  
OUT OF FLORIDA

DAVID SHOLTZ GOVERNOR 600 P

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From  
**THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

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**MEMORANDUM**

Solicitor General Biggs.....  
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Assistant Attorney General Stephens.....  
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Assistant Attorney General Keenan.....  
Assistant Attorney General Sweeney.....  
Assistant Attorney General Blair.....  
Assistant Solicitor General MacLean.....  
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Mr. Suydam, Special Assistant.....  
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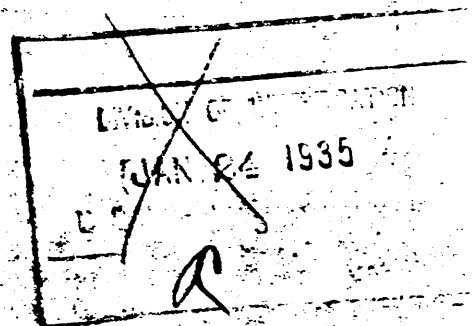
I am deeply appreciative of your  
fine telegram and your continued and helpful  
cooperation with this Department.

With best personal remembrances,

Faithfully yours,  
Signed

HOMER CUMMINGS

Honorable David Shalts,  
Tallahassee, Florida.



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PHILADELPHIA

BREKID SUBJECTS HARRY CAMPBELL AND ALVIN KARPIS STOP ATLANTIC CITY  
NEWJERSEY POLICE IN GUN FIGHT WITH KARPIS AND CAMPBELL FIVE FIFTY  
JANUARY TWENTIETH ESCAPED IN PEA GREEN PONTIAC COACH NINETEEN THIRTY  
FIVE NEWJERSEY LICENSE A THREE NAUGHT SEVEN THREE ENGINE NUMBER TEN  
THREE NINE THREE EIGHT TWO SERIAL EIGHT EIGHT SEVEN THREE EIGHT SIX  
DELORES DELANEY SHOT IN LEG CAPTURED WITH WINONA BURDETT LAW ENFORCEMENT  
AGENCIES IN DISTRICT ADVISED ALSO ALL FERRY AND BRIDGE CONNECTIONS  
COVERED AGENTS AT ATLANTIC CITY CONDUCTING NECESSARY INVESTIGATION FORM  
WAIVERS SIGNED BY DELANEY AND BURDETT ALSO DOCTORS CERTIFICATES AS TO  
DELANEY BEING IN GOOD ENOUGH CONDITION FOR REMOVAL TO OFFICE WITHOUT  
SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES TWENTY TWO COLT REVOLVER AND TWENTY TWO RIFLE FOUND  
IN BUICK CAR ABANDONED BY CAMPBELL AND KARPIS STOP DELANEY AND BURDETT  
TAKEN TO PHILADELPHIA OFFICE SIGNED STATEMENT GIVEN BY BURDETT ADMITS  
ASSOCIATION WITH MEMBERS OF GANG WITH KNOWLEDGE THAT THEY ARE FEDERAL  
FUGITIVES AND ONE EXPECTED BY DELANEY STOP BURDETT AT SAINT GEORGES  
APT OCCUPYING AGENT SEARS APARTMENT DELANEY AT HAHNEMANN HOSPITAL  
MEMORANDA COVERING ALL DETAILS ABOVE AND COPIES OF SIGNED STATEMENT  
FORWARDED DIVISION THIS DATE

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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REKID ASCERTAIN DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH R. KEATON

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

January 11, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D.C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. 1213  
DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases,  
I.O. 1232; EDWARD G. BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to my teletype summary of developments at Chicago on the early morning of January 11, 1935, in connection with the above case, and particularly with reference to the raid conducted at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, at which time Russell G. Gibson was killed, and my later teletype of January 11, 1935 as to the Coroner's verdict, particularly with reference to the situation that the Coroner's jury might have condemned the actions of the Division Agents, as will be noted from enclosures which are attached hereto, this situation was garbled in a newspaper story which appeared, and which has previously been called to the attention of the Division.

There are enclosed herewith two photostatic copies of the inquest record as to Russell G. Gibson as reported by James J. Halen, Deputy Coroner to Frank J. Walsh, Coroner, Cook County, Illinois, dated January 10, 1935, from which it will be noted that it is indicated that Russell G. Gibson came to his death on January 9, 1935, at the American Hospital, from a shotgun wound in the abdomen, caused when the deceased, who was a fugitive from justice, was attempting to escape arrest by U.S. Government Agents, and was struck by bullets fired from the guns of said Government Agents on January 8, 1935, at the rear of 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, about 11.40 P.M. It will also be noted that the inquest record reads in part: "We, the jury, find this occurrence to be justifiable homicide". With further reference to the contents of this inquest report, it will be noted on page 13 thereof that the Coroner's jury returned a verdict as above indicated without any reference to any condemnation of the activities of the Agents in connection with the case. However, it will also be noted with reference to the proceedings before the Deputy Coroner, that the Deputy Coroner made the statement: "For the sake of the record I want to commend the United States Government Agents. At the same time I think when making arrests of this kind that some precaution should be taken to assure the lives of neighbors and other public officials, who might not be aware of the type of arrest they are trying to make".

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In this connection reference is made to the following quoted memorandum submitted by Special Agent J. J. Metcalfe, who called at the office of the Coroner, Cook County, Illinois, in order to obtain a copy of the Coroner's report in this matter, which it is believed is self-explanatory:

"On January 10, 1935, the writer was instructed to call at the office of the Coroner of Cook County, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of obtaining copies of the Coroner's verdict and autopsy in connection with the death of Russell Gibson, and accordingly the writer interviewed Mr. Butler as also the Chief Deputy V. L. Schlaeger. At this time Chief Deputy Schlaeger informed the writer substantially as follows:

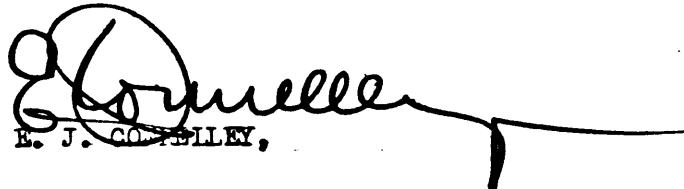
'Incidentally, I want to tell you and you can tell it to whoever may be interested in your office, whether they want to know it or not, that the account of the inquest proceedings and the Coroner's verdict, as published in today's newspapers, is not correct in saying the Coroner's jury criticized the government Agents for their conduct at the time of the raid, which resulted in the death of Russell Gibson. The way the thing happened was that I was talking to the jury after the proceedings had been concluded, and after the Government Agents, the witnesses, and reporters had left the room, and at that time I told the jury that I thought that the Agents ought to use more precaution in the future in conducting their raids so that no mistake as to their identity may be made by other law enforcement bodies or other persons, and so that no innocent persons may be injured at such a time. I want you to know also that the Coroner's verdict does not mention anything other than that the death of Russell Gibson was a case of justifiable homicide, and this verdict does not in any way mention anything in regard to the conduct of the Government Agents. For some reason or other the newspapers in Chicago must be sore at the Department of Justice, and that is probably why their stories read like they did today. The story in the Chicago Evening American, however, is not like the stories in the other papers and this story comes closer to giving a truthful account of what the actual conversation was between the jury and myself than the stories in the other newspapers.'

The statements made by Chief Deputy Schlaeger were entirely unsolicited and were made to the writer without the writer having entered into any discussion whatever with him."

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With further reference to my telephone conversation with Mr. Tamm, and the information set out in my teletype of this date, it should be noted that immediately upon my becoming aware that any shooting was necessary at the scene of this activity, I arranged with the janitor at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue to call the Police, and if they were already on their way, to meet them at the entrance and direct them to me, advising them of who we were. Shortly thereafter the Police arrived on the scene and were contacted by me and advised of the situation, the siege at the front door still having continued, inasmuch as we were not certain whether all of the occupants of the apartment from which Russell Gibson had emerged had left the place, and these officers were very friendly and cooperative, and remained with us until the job was completely cleaned up. Thereafter Lieutenant William V. Blaul of the Townhall Police Station, agreed to place two men on the premises with our men there in order that the apartment might be safe guarded against entrance by newspapers, sightseers, etc. until such time as we could remove the numerous guns found there, and take fingerprints from various objects on the inside of the apartment. Also in this connection, previous to the arrival of the police at the scene of the activities at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, they had been contacted by the three Division Agents who were stationed at the corner of the alley leading from the rear of this apartment and Irving Park Boulevard, at which time the Agents identified themselves to these officers, and the officers stationed themselves to assist should anything occur. This was prior to the time the shooting had actually occurred, and when the shooting did take place in the alley these officers took the necessary positions to assist should anyone try to emerge from the alley.

Very truly yours,

  
E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.  
(Special Assignment).

EJC:JMS

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.  
County of Cook.

## CORONER'S VERDICT

An Inquisition was taken for the People of the State of Illinois.

at *Cook County Morgue* in the *City of Chicago*  
in said County of Cook, on the *10th* day of *January*, A. D. 19*35*  
before me, FRANK J. WALSH, Coroner, in and for said County, upon view of the body of  
*Russell L. Gibson* then and there lying

dead upon the oaths of six good and lawful men of the said County, who, being duly sworn to inquire  
on the part of the People of the State of Illinois into all circumstances attending the death of said  
dead body and how and in what manner, and by whom or what, and when and where the said dead  
body came to its death, do say, upon their oaths, as aforesaid, that the said dead body now or then

lying dead at *Cook County Morgue* in said  
*City of Chicago* County of Cook, State of Illinois, came to its death on the  
*9th* day of *January*, A. D. 19*35*

As the American  
Hospital from a shot gun wound of the  
abdomen, caused when the deceased who  
was a fugitive from justice was attempting  
to escape arrest by U.S. Government Agents  
and was struck by bullets fired from the  
guns of said government agents on  
*January 8th (Mon) 1935* at the rear of  
*3917 Ang Grove Ave* about *11:40 PM*  
From the testimony presented  
with the jury find this occurrence to be  
*justified homicide.*

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said Coroner, and the jury of this inquest have hereunto set

their hands the day and year aforesaid.

*Henry Vala* Foreman *Frank Kowalski*  
*Joe J. O'Leary* *Wm. Duffy*  
*Wm. Donohue* *Wm. Kravitz*

Age *35* years.

By *Frank J. Walsh* Coroner  
*James J. Walsh* Deputy

ILLINOIS,  
COOK COUNTY

FRANK J. WALSH, Coroner of Cook County, in the State of

Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the verdict in the

case of the body of

which was rendered on the

JAN 10 1935, as appears from the Records of my office.

WITNESS my hand and seal at Chicago, in said County,

JAN 10 1935

(SEAL)

Coroner.

No. 84 JAN 1935

Inquest No. 162838

On the Body of  
*Russel G. Gibson*  
*JAN 10 - 1935*

DEPUTY CORONER—NOTE.  
PRINT the name of deceased above.  
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Coroner

Form 14

Inquest upon the body of

Held.

Who represents the deceased.

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Who represents the

**NAMES OF WITNESSES**

ADDRESS

### OCCUPATION

Cara Gibson	3920 Pine Groves Rd.	Millers
R. Brown	1605 E 72nd St	Spaulding USAF
R. Abbaticchio Jr	18 E Elm St New In.	" " "

## ROLL-CALL OF JURORS

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

## ADDRESS

R. Honbeck.	4017 W. Cullerton St.
J. Kowalski	1835 N. Hermitage Ave.
N. Vaila	2757 S. Lawrence Ave.
J. J. Celisick	2730 N. Major Ave.
Wm. Ruffey	3810 N. Kenneth Ave.
Q. Mrs. Eliza	7849 Irving Ave.
Wm. Kravitz	1438 S. Sawyer Ave.

James Whalen  
Deputy Coroner.

## Deputy Coroners



## NO. 45 Jan. IDENTIFICATION BLANK

Name of deceased

Russel A. Gibson

I have seen the remains of the deceased in the Cook County Morgue on this, the 10 day of

Jan.

1938 in the presence of

and identified same as that of

my husband.

Name and Address of party making identification

Clara Gibson

3920 Pine Grove Ave.

## STATISTICAL HISTORY OF DECEASED:

Residence of deceased

3920 Pine Grove Ave.

Birth place

Nashville, Mo.

Age

35

Color

white

Married?

Single?

Divorced?

Widowed?

In United States

years; in Chicago

Apt 7

years

Father's name

Gordon Gibson

Birth place

unknown.

Mother's maiden name

Nancy unknown

Birth place

"

Occupation—last

Climber.

Previous

Insurance

yes

Property Real

unknown

Personal

unknown.

Condition—Mental

Good

Physical

Good

Eyesight

Poor

Hearing

Good

Dependents

Ages

35 up.

Ever in military or naval service of U. S.?

No.

Last saw the deceased

X Clara Gibson



FRANK J. WALSH, Coroner of Cook County

## DOCTOR'S STATEMENT BLANK

45 of Jan.

At an inquest upon the body of RUSSELL GIBSON

held 19 at Cook County Morgue.

County of Cook, State of Illinois, personally appeared

who being sworn according to law, deposes and says; my name is J. J. Kearns,

I reside at Chicago, Ill. and

am by occupation, a Coroner's Physician of Cook County, and that:

I have to-day (1/9/35) performed a postmortem examination on the dead body of RUSSELL GIBSON, identified to me by the records of the Cook County Morgue. External examination reveals a medium developed white male, 33 years of age, 6' tall, weighing 160 pounds, scalp hair is brown, eyes brown, pupils dilated. There was an irregular circular scar 0.5 x 0.3 cm. in the center of the distal phalanx, volar surface, ring finger of the right hand. There was a grooving stellate laceration 7 x 2 1/2 cm. of the scalp which exposed the underlying parietal bone parallel to and 5 cm. from the longitudinal midline on the left side. The edges of this laceration were irregularly torn and discolored purple-red. There were ten superficial and deep puncture wounds of the skin of the forehead and scalp over the parietal area on the left side. The edges of these wounds were irregular in outline, ranged in size up to 1 1/2 cm. in diameter, and were discolored purple-red. There were numerous other superficial wounds of the face, both sides, bridge of the nose and upper lid of both eyes and forehead, on the left side. These were in the form of superficial small scratch marks and ranged in size up to 5 mm. The above wounds were such as shotgun plugs would make. There was a shotgun wound of entrance in the anterior abdominal wall 1 1/2 cm. to the right of the midline over the 8th costal cartilage. This wound was gaping 2 x 2 1/2 cm., its edges were irregular, inverted and discolored purple-red. The adjacent skin was abraded for a distance of 1 cm. at its medial aspect. There was a shotgun wound of exit in the back, which was gaping 1.8 x 1.5 cm., in the 10th intercostal space, posterior axillary line on the right side. The edges of this wound were everted, irregular in outline, and discolored pale blue-gray. There was a hematoma in the deep scalp tissues adjacent to the laceration in the scalp described above. There was a depressed fracture, 1 x 0.5 cm., in the outer table of the parietal bone in the line of the laceration of the scalp described above, elsewhere the cranial bones showed no traumatic changes. There was a subleptomeningeal hemorrhage over the parieto-frontal and parietal lobes of the left cerebral hemisphere and punctate and confluent hemorrhages in the cortex of the parieto-frontal and parietal lobes of the left cerebral hemisphere. The area of these hemorrhages measured 5 x 5 cm. in the frontal lobe and 7 x 5 cm. in the

FRANK J. WALSH, Coroner of Cook County

DOCTOR'S STATEMENT BLANK

45 of Jan.

At an inquest upon the body of RUSSELL GIBSON (Continued)

held 19 at

County of Cook, State of Illinois, personally appeared

who being sworn according to law, deposes and says; my name is

I reside at

and

am by occupation, a Coroner's Physician of Cook County, and that:

The convolutions of both cerebral hemispheres were flattened. On multiple surfaces made by cutting the remainder of the brain was pale. The lungs were subcrepitant, adherent to the parietal pleura by fibrous tags in various places posteriorly and laterally. There were healed scars in the visceral pleura in the apices of both lungs. On multiple surfaces made by cutting the lungs were pale. The trachea and bronchi contained pale bloody frothy fluid. The tracheo-bronchial lymph nodes were soft, studded with anthracotic areas. The pericardial sac contained straw colored fluid. The myocardium was pale, soft, red brown. The cardiac leaflets, aorta and coronary arteries were not remarkable. The abdominal cavity contained several liters of clotted and fluid blood. There was an extensive bursting laceration of the right lobe of the liver, the entrance wound of which corresponded to the wound of entrance in the abdominal wall described above and the exit wound of which corresponded to the wound of exit described above. The remainder of the liver, the kidneys and spleen were pale, soft, the markings were indistinct. The gall bladder and biliary passages were patent. The adrenals, pancreas and lower genito-urinary tract were not remarkable. The mucous membrane of the esophagus, stomach and duodenum showed only postmortem changes. The stomach contained liquid and solid food, the solid portions of which resembled potato, the remainder was not recognizable.

In my opinion death of RUSSELL GIBSON was the result of shotgun wound of the abdomen.

*J. J. Keane, M.D.*

STATE OF ILLINOIS)  
( SS  
COUNTY OF COOK )

BEFORE THE CORONER OF COOK COUNTY

INQUEST ON THE BODY )  
OF ) COMPLETE  
RUSSEL G. GIBSON )

Transcript of the testimony taken, and  
proceedings had at the inquest held upon the body of  
the above named deceased, before JAMES WHALEN, Deputy  
Coroner of Cook County, Illinois, and a Jury duly impaneled  
and sworn at the Cook County Morgue, Chicago, Illinois,  
at 10:00 A. M., January 10, 1935.

A P P E A R A N C E S

Reported by

A. J. Buckley

Book No. 263

THE DEPUTY: This is Inquest No. 45 of January,  
into the death of one Russel G. Gibson.

THE DEPUTY: We will have the inquest come to order.  
Is Mrs. Gibson here, or Miss Grey. Come up here, raise  
your right hand and be sworn. Be seated there.

C L A R A G I B S O N

called as a witness, after being first duly sworn,  
was examined by Deputy Coroner, JAMES WHALEN, and  
testified as follows:

Q And your full name? A Clara Gibson.

Q Spell the last name? A G-i-b-s-o-n.

Q And your address? A 3920 Pine Grove Avenue.

Q And your occupation? A Milliner.

Q Who do you work for Mrs. Gibson?

A Myself.

Q And do you do the millinery work at that address?

A No, sir, I have not worked for about four months.

THE DEPUTY: I want you to speak up so these men will  
hear you.

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

Q When did you marry Russel Gibson?

A Ten or eleven years.

Q And have you lived with him all that time?



A Practically.

Q How long have you lived at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue?

A About a month I should say.

Q Did you and your husband rent the apartment at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue? A I don't know whether he rented it, I didn't.

Q Was there any one there when you came there first?

A He was there when I moved in.

Q Was there any one living there beside him when you moved in?

A A person by the name of Andy.

Q And any one else? A That is all I know.

Q How old was your husband? A Thirty five.

Q And what business was he in? A He was a gambler.

Q Do you know what time he moved into the apartment at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue?

A No sir, I don't.

Q Where did you live before that time?

A Where did I live?

Q Yes? A I stayed at the Shelldrake Hotel, he

was out of town.

Q Did you live at the Shelldrake Hotel by yourself?

A No, sir.

Q Who was there with you at that time?

A Just the girl who was with me at the time.

Q What is her name? A Ruth is the only name I know.

Q Do you know where your husband lived previous to

the time he moved to 3920 Pine Grove Avenue?

A Yes, sir, we lived right on Diversey.

Q Do you know what number on Diversey?

A I really don't, it was right by the "L", about 700, Diversey and Clybourn.

Q And how long had you lived there? A Just a few weeks.

Q Did you identify the body here at the morgue, the body as being that of your husband Russel G. Gibson?

A Yes, sir.

Q You are positive that is your husband?

A Yes, sir.

Q Now I wonder if you will tell this Jury in your own words, just what happened at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, when your husband was killed. The time you arrived at the

apartment, how long you were there, when he arrived; anything that will help this Jury to know what was going on?

A We had just finished reading the papers and the buzzer came on, and I answered it, and he said, "How many men are up there, tell them to come down or we will come up," and I told my husband to go down, they were going to put gas in, and he said, "You go on down, I will come down," and I heard a shot.

Q And who was in the apartment at the time?

A This young girl Ruth, Andy, my husband, and myself.

Q Did you know Andy by any other name?

A No, sir.

Q What business was he in? A He is sick,  
he had T. B., I don't know what business he was in, to  
tell the truth.

Q Had you ever seen Andy before that time?

A Yes, he had been in my house a couple of times.

Q And was there just this voice talking through  
the tube telling you to come down? A Yes.

Q And where were you when the shots were fired?

A They made us lay down in the vestibule of the  
apartment building.

Q And who was lying down? A This girl Ruth,  
Andy, and myself.

Q Now, after this call came through the tube to  
tell you to come down, what did your husband do?

A He told me to go ahead, kissed me, let me out  
the front door, and said he would follow.

Q Did you see him pick up any weapon of any kind?

A I didn't, it happened so suddenly, we were out  
in two minutes.

Q And do you know whether there were any weapons,  
guns in the apartment? A There were.

Q How was your husband dressed at the time this  
call came up through the tube? A He had on a dark

blue suit, just like you have on.

Q And were you all fully dressed? A I don't  
hardly think so, I had a house dress on, and Ruth had  
on a dress, I think Andy had just his slippers.

Q And were you all there the night before?

A Yes, sir.

Q And when had your husband left the apartment?

A He had just gone out to get the papers, he had  
been in about an hour.

Q And had the Police Department ever called at  
your apartment at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue?

A No, sir.

THE DEPUTY: Are there any legal representatives  
present?

No response.

THE DEPUTY: That is all, Mrs. Gibson.

W I T N E S S E X C U S E D

THE DEPUTY: Mr. Brown will come up please. Raise  
your right hand and be sworn.

R. D. BROWN

called as a witness, after being first duly sworn,  
was examined by Deputy Coroner, JAMES WALLEN, and  
testified as follows:



Q Your full name? A R. D. Brown.

Q And your home address? A 1605 E. 72nd Street.

Q And your occupation? A Special agent,  
Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

Q Mr. Brown, you can tell the jurors in your own words just how you became attracted to this occurrence, and anything you know about it? A The Chicago

Office of the Department of Justice had under observation the address 3912 Pine Grove Avenue. We had reason to believe that the deceased, R. G. Gibson was living there,

and on the night of January 8, several agents gathered

at that point, six agents in the rear and several in the front and side. We had noticed previous to 11:30 that

Russel Gibson had entered the apartment accompanied by Clara Gibson. At 11:15 we called at the entrance of the

apartment building, 3912, and went to the speaking tube

and called the apartment in question, which was the first

apartment north, we questioned as to who was living in

the apartment, and we requested them to come down with

their hands up, one by one, and we waited about three

minutes and no response, and we called again and said

we were agents from the Department of Justice, and still

no response, and we called again and soon after Clara

Gibson came down the stairs with her hands up, and shortly

after another woman came down with her hands up, and

after, the man in the apartment, we identified as Monty Carter, came down the stairs with his hands up; they were all requested to lie on the floor while we waited possibly for someone else who lived in the apartment, and shortly after Monty Carter came down the stairs we heard shots coming from the rear. The two women and the man was taken to our office, and agents at the rear of the building found they had shot Russell Gibson.

Q What floor was this apartment on?

A The first floor.

Q How many Government men in all took part in the

raid? A There were sixteen.

Q Were they all there at the time?

A Yes, they were.

Q Do you know the exact place that Gibson was shot;

on the porch, in the yard, or where? A I believe he was shot coming down the back stairs.

Q About what time was that? A The shooting

took place at approximately 11:40.

Q A. M.?

A P. M. Byron Bolton is the correct name of Monty Carter.

Q How many shots would you say were fired at

Gibson? A I was at the front door and could not say, I believe seven.

Q And when Gibson was taken, did he have any fire

arms on him? A Yes, he did.

Q Are any of the firearms brought here as exhibits today? A Yes, one of the firearms.

THE DEPUTY: Let us have that please. Let the record show that the gun used in apprehending this deceased was a United States .30 model Browning, automatic rifle.

THE WITNESS: The deceased came out the back way with that rifle in his hand, with a bullet proof vest, and first three shots before he was hit by our agents.

Q Did you find remaining shells in the gun unfired?

A Yes, he also had in his hand a pistol.

Q How was he clothed when you shot him?

A I did not find him myself in the rear.

Q Did you see the clothing later he had on?

A I saw a bullet proof vest with a bullet hole that had pierced the vest and gone through the body.

Q And did he have a coat on over the vest?

A At the time I saw him he had no coat.

Q And was there anyone else found in the apartment besides the wife of the deceased, Bolton, and the other woman, Ruth?

A No, there were none other than that.

THE DEPUTY: All right, Mr. Brown, that is all.

Q When you were talking about the address, Mr.

Brown, did you mean 3912 or 3920? A 3912.

W I T N E S S       E X C U S E D

THE DEPUTY: Mr. Abbaticchio. Raise your right hand and be sworn.

R. J. A B B A T I C C H I O Jr.

Called as a witness, after being first duly sworn,  
was examined by Deputy Coroner, JAMES WHALEN, and  
testified as follows:

Q And your full name? A R. J. Abbaticchio Jr.

Q Spell the last name? A A-b-b-a-t-i-c-c-h-i-o.

Q Home address? A 18 E. Elm Street.

Q And your occupation? A Special agent,

Division of Investigation, United States Department of  
Justice.

Q You can tell this jury the time you arrived at  
the scene of this occurrence, and anything you know  
about it? A I was one of three agents covering

the alley at the rear of 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, on the  
Irving Park Boulevard Side. Just after the shooting we  
were told to bring our car to the rear of the apartment.

We drove it up the alley and saw Gibson on the ground,  
and Agent Myers and myself picked him up and put him in  
the back of our car, and as we picked him up we asked him  
who he was, and he said Russell Gibson, and we drove him



to the American Hospital on Irving Park Boulevard, and he was admitted there, and Doctor Homer S. Warren, Chief of the Staff of the Hospital gave him first aid, and he died at 1:40 A. M.; I believe that was January 9th.

Q Where did Gibson seem to be shot, as you were taking him to the hospital?

A He was bloody on his back, and the front too; through the chest apparently, and on the head. Apparently through the chest, and his head was bleeding.

Q After you put him in the car was he fully clothed?

A He had no coat on, trousers, shirt.

Q And did you notice a bullet-proof vest?

A He did not have it on at the time, it was at the side of him.

Q What were you trying to apprehend Gibson for, what was he charged with?

A He was wanted in connection with the violation of Motor Vehicle Theft Act, and in connection with the Bremmer kidnaping.

Q And how long had you been waiting there to apprehend him?

A The three of us, who had been at the entrance of the alley, had been there about an hour I should say.

Q Did you see Gibson when he came out of the apartment?

A No, I did not, we were quite a way down, we were at the edge of the alley where it hits

Irving Park Boulevard.

Q Did you hear any comments, or anything Gibson had to say before the shots were fired?

A No, we were several hundred feet away from the shooting.

Q How many shots did you hear fired?

A It is hard to say, around six or seven.

Q And do you know how many shots Gibson fired previous to the time he was shot? A There was no way I could say, I understood he fired three times, but I am not sure of that.

Q Had you ever had occasion to arrest Gibson before? A No, I had never seen Gibson before.

THE DEPUTY: All right, Mr. Abbaticchio. That will be all.

W I T N E S S      E X C U S E D

THE DEPUTY: Is there anyone else who wants to be heard before we close this inquest?

No response.

THE DEPUTY: Is there any other occupants of the apartment in which Gibson was in, here now?

No response.

THE DEPUTY: If not, we will close the inquest.

The Coroner's Physician's statement will read as follows:

Statement read.

THE DEPUTY: You gentlemen of the Jury may retire and deliberate on a verdict, and when you are ready if you will call me, I will prepare it in proper legal form.

Jurors retire.

THE DEPUTY: Have you gentlemen reached your verdict?

THE FOREMAN: We have.

THE DEPUTY: What is that verdict?

THE FOREMAN: As written here.

THE DEPUTY: The verdict in full will read as follows:

Verdict read.

THE DEPUTY: Is that your verdict, gentlemen?

THE JURORS: It is.

THE DEPUTY: For the sake of the record I want to commend the United States Government agents. At the same time, I think when making arrests of this kind, that some precaution should be taken to assure the lives of neighbors and other public officials, who might not be aware of the type of arrest they are trying to make. That closes the inquest. The Jurors and witnesses are excused.

The above was all the testimony taken, and proceedings had at the inquest held upon the body of the above named deceased.

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
( SS  
COUNTY OF COOK )

I, A. J. Buckley, do hereby certify,  
that at the request of the Coroner of Cook County,  
Illinois, I took down in shorthand and transcribed  
the minutes of the foregoing testimony had and taken  
at the inquest held upon the body of:

RUSSELL G. GIBSON  
Deceased

That the foregoing transcript of the testimony so  
taken and transcribed by me, as aforesaid, is a true  
and correct copy of the original minutes taken at  
said inquest, and is a true and correct statement of  
the testimony of each of the several witnesses who have  
testified at said inquest.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: I hereunto set my hand,  
this 10th day of January, 1935.



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## HISTORY OF CASE FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES

(Number Killed.....)

File No.....

(Their File Nos.....)

Name *Russell G. Gibson*Address *3917 Pine Grove Ave.*Age *35* Sex *Male*Married, Single, etc. *Married*Color *White*Birthplace *Kansas City, Missouri*How long in U. S. *Life*How long in City *Abt. 7 yrs.*Birthplace of Father *Unknown*

Birthplace of Mother

Religion

Housing Conditions

Occupation, Present *Gambler*

Employed by whom

Past Occupation

Wages or Salary Due

Amt. Life Insurance (payable to estate) *Yes*Value Personal Property *None*Value Real Estate *None*

CAUSE OF DEATH and whether accidental, wilful or undetermined.

*Shotgun wound of the abdomen.*CAUSE OF ACCIDENT OR CATASTROPHE *Justifiable**Recessed was shot by U.S. Govt. Agents when he attempted to escape and get away.*PLACE OF ACCIDENT: Street No. *End of 3917 Pine Grove Ave.*

If outside city, name place

PLACE OF DEATH *American Hospital*Name of Company or person involved in death *U. S. Govt.*

In Auto and Wagon cases name owner

and driver

Held to Grand Jury on what charge

RECOMMENDATION

Date of Inquest *Jan. 10 - 1935*Date of Death *Jan. 9 - 1935*Date of Accident *Jan. 8 - 1935*Hour *11:45 P. M.*Mental Condition *Good*Physical Condition *Good*Sight *Good*Hearing *Good*

Crippled

Deformed

Height

Weight

Education

Illiterate

Common School

High School

College or University

Not Known

Industry

Number of dependents *1 - wife*

If deceased is mother, number of children left

Ages of Dependents *35 yrs.*

SPECIAL

In Transportation and Vehicle Accidents

check the following items:

At Crossing

Not at Crossing

Yards

Shops

Barns

Station

On Elevated

On Surface

In Subway

Passenger Train

Freight Train

Engine Alone

Employee

Passenger

Trespasser

Pedestrian

In Other Vehicle

In Elevator Cases

Freight Elevator

Passenger Elevator

In Street

In Home

In Office

In Factory

In Hotel

In Saloon

In Garage

In Shop

January 23, 1935.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,  
with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,  
with aliases, I.O. 1232, et al.  
Edward George Bremer - Victim -  
Kidnapping.

Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, please  
be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of  
the Division of Investigation fails to disclose any data  
concerning HAROLD V. ALDERTON.

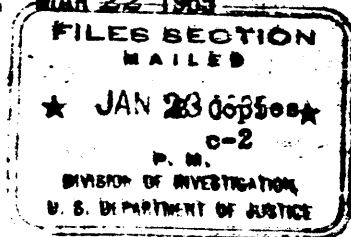
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

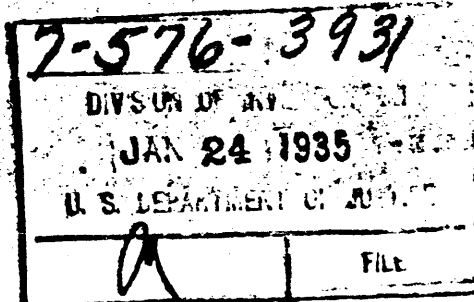
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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINN.**

FILE NO. **7-11 1k**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>BUFFALO, N. Y.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1/23/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1/2, 7, 8, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. D. CUNNINGHAM</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Eleven \$10.00 ransom notes passed in Buffalo, N. Y. and vicinity; efforts to trace same without result. Mrs. Gladys Hodil left Buffalo 1/20/35, her trunk, Buffalo check #607416, taken by Palmar Delivery, Chicago, Ill. to a Chicago address. Joseph R. Morrison, Buffalo, appears to be respectable businessman, not connected with underworld, nor does he seem to have any connection with registration of Buick Sedan, 1935 Florida license D-5306 by Leroy Morrison. Telephone calls (long distance) of Bernice Scott and Mrs. L.S. Davis secured, but no information of value obtained. Cover placed on telephone and mail of Joseph R. Morrison and Mrs. C. E. Pope. Teletype message sent over Buffalo PD system 1/20/35, requesting police authorities be on alert for Karpis and Campbell. Hospitals and doctors requested to notify this office should Karpis or Campbell try to secure treatment of gun shot wounds. List of cars stolen in Pennsylvania 1/21/35 incorporated.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p><b>REFERENCES:</b></p> <p>Report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, N. Y., dated 12/26/34; report of Special Agent J. D. Cunningham, Buffalo, N. Y., dated 1/16/35. Division telegrams dated 1/20/35.</p> <p><b>COPIES DESTROYED</b></p> <p><b>11 MAR 22 1965</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. P. MacFarland</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		<b>7-576-3932</b> <b>JAN 24 1935 P.M.</b> BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: <b>ONE</b> FILE STAT. SECT.	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO:		RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>JAN 25 1935</b>	
3 - Division 3 - St. Paul 2 - E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois 2 - Chicago 1 - Each other Division Office.		CHECKED OFF: <b>JAN 25 1935</b>	

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This office was in receipt of information from the Buffalo Trust Branch of the Marine Trust Company that a Bremer ransom note had been received by that bank. Nelson F. Mertel, Assistant Secretary of the above bank was contacted and he advised that the William Hengerer Company, a large department store in Buffalo, New York, had deposited a \$10 ransom note, bearing number I.04096805A (page 20 of the list) on January 7, 1935, and that as previously instructed by Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland this note had been forwarded to the Buffalo Federal Reserve Bank.

George Paul, teller, who had received this note, was interviewed, and he advised that it had been part of a deposit of approximately \$10,000.

Miss Naska, Cashier, William Hengerer Company, Main Street, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed, and she stated that \$10 notes are changed at each counter in the store, there being no central clearing house for making such change and that it would, therefore, be impossible to trace this particular bill and ascertain at what counter it had been changed.

Mr. Charles L. Blakeslee, Buffalo Federal Reserve Bank, was interviewed, and he advised that the following \$10 ransom notes had been received by his bank and had escaped notice at the different banks through which had been passed:

I05316418A (page 30a) was received from the Manufacturers & Traders Trust Company, Buffalo, New York on November 8, 1934.

I04200205A (page 20a) was received from the Bank of Batavia on November 22, 1934.

I05241921a (page 29) was received from the Liberty Bank of Buffalo on November 23, 1934.

I05360225A (page 31a) was received from the Marine Trust Company of Buffalo, New York on November 27, 1934.

I05192009A (page 28a) was received from the Bank of Batavia on December 20, 1934.

I04000420A (page 19a) was received from the Power Trust Company, Niagara Falls, New York on December 22, 1934.

I04298408A (page 21a) was received from the Liberty Bank of Buffalo on December 27, 1934.



IO4038138A (page 19a) was received from the First National Bank & Trust Company, Rochester, New York on December 27, 1934.

IO5960731A (page 19) was received from the Liberty Bank of Buffalo on December 31, 1934.

IO5046287A (page 27) was received from the Union Trust Company of Rochester, New York on December 31, 1934.

IO5197124A (page 28a) was received from the Power City Trust Company of Niagara Falls, New York on January 10, 1935.

Mr. Blakeslee advised the writer that as his office had received no notation on these bills to the effect that they were ransom money, they had evidently not been noticed by the tellers at the various banks through which they had been passed and efforts to trace them would, therefore, be fruitless. As numerous efforts have been made in the past to trace bills which had passed tellers unnoticed, but without success, no effort was made to trace the above listed bills.

Miss Eleanor Lienert, 1145 Michigan Avenue, Buffalo, New York, was continually contacted relative to Mrs. Gladys Hodil who is staying in Buffalo, New York at 1149 Michigan Avenue, with her mother. Miss Lienert advised the writer that on January 20, 1935 she observed a Van Dyke Transfer truck take a trunk from the house at 1149 Michigan Avenue at about twelve noon; that at 12:30 p.m. she observed Mrs. Hodil leave in a taxicab. She further advised that subsequently she questioned Edith Aken, a girl friend of hers, who resides downstairs at 1149 Michigan Avenue, and ascertained that Mrs. Hodil had left the city, stating that her destination was San Francisco, California.

Mr. Farrell, in charge of the Baggage Department at the New York Central Depot, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed, and after searching his records advised that Gladys Hodell (note change in spelling) had forwarded a trunk to Chicago, Illinois on train #43, which left Buffalo at 1:05 p.m., January 20, 1935 and would arrive in Chicago, Illinois at 3:00 a.m., January 21, 1935. This trunk was described as raw hide and was checked on Buffalo check #607416. Mr. Farrell communicated with his Chicago office by telephone and ascertained that the above described trunk had been delivered to the Parmelee Transfer Company, 1147 West Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois on January 21, 1935, for delivery in that city. Mr. Farrell stated that this company could furnish the address to which the trunk was forwarded.

Mr. Gladys Rodil

V. E. Springer

Regina Sherman

Springer

Pittsburgh,

321 East 9th St.

Ft. Michigan

(Mailed at Lansing,

Michigan)

690 Sixth Street

Madison Sq. Station

New York

Upon telephonic information furnished this office by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelly, Chicago, Illinois, that 1935 two-door Buick Sedan, motor number 4949155, serial number 2783525, bearing Florida license tags D-5306, had been purchased by Karpis in Miami, Florida under the name of Leroy Morrison, 444 Main Street, Buffalo, New York, the writer interviewed Mr. Joseph R. Morrison, who operates a ladies' wearing apparel store at 442-444 Main Street, Buffalo, New York.

Mr. Morrison stated that he resides at 77 Traymore Street, Buffalo, New York; that he is married to Rose Baymen, and has one child--a boy thirteen years old, who attends the public school in Buffalo, New York. Mr. Morrison advised that he has been in business in Buffalo since 1916; that prior to that time he worked for Morrison's, 46 West 14th St., New York City, a firm founded by his uncle and with which he has been connected since 1910, at which time he finished school.

Continuing, Mr. Morrison advised that his wife was born in Chicago, Illinois and left there in 1914 upon the death of her father; that she has no brothers and her mother resides in Buffalo; that she has three sisters--Mrs. Albert (Rhea) Weinstein,

Commonwealth Avenue, Buffalo, New York; Mrs. Archie Miller, 8191 West 8th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota (business address); Mrs. Irvin Hefind, c/o Charles, 6030 Nicollet, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mr. Morrison advised that he was born in Lithuania, Europe; that he has a sister, Francis Ginsburg, 88 Traymore Street, Buffalo, New York, and another sister, Belle Cohen, Goulding Avenue, Buffalo, New York; that he has no brothers, and his parents are both deceased. He stated that he has no relatives by the name of Leroy or Roy Morrison and knows of no one by that name. Mr. Morrison further informed the writer that he has never been in Florida; that he has a few friends who visit there during the winter season, but that these men are all ethical business men of Buffalo, New York. He stated that he has been in Chicago only once, and that was in 1933, at which time he went there accompanied by his wife on a pleasure trip to see the World's Fair and stayed for a period of four days. Mr. Morrison advised that he has second and third cousins in Chicago--S. Ocheret, 3507 North Crawford Avenue, and Max Greengard, Paxton Avenue.

Mr. Morrison informed the writer that he owns his home at 77 Traymore Street [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] He further stated that he has received no money from Chicago or any other city; that he has no outstanding debts that have been paid in cash; that he has received no money from any source whatsoever, except his business.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, New York, dated October 30, 1934, in which is set out information that Mrs. C. E. Pope, 34 Brunswick Boulevard, Buffalo, New York, is a friend of Mrs. Pearl Flannigan, sister of Harry Campbell.

James L. Brady, Superintendent, Commercial Department Western Union Company, Rand Building, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed and he advised that he would immediately notify the Buffalo office in the event that any telegrams are received for Mrs. C. E. Pope, 34 Brunswick Boulevard; that he would also inform this office of any telegrams addressed to Joseph R. Morrison, 442-44 Main Street, and 77 Traymore Street, Buffalo, New York.

John S. McIntyre, Superintendent, Commercial Department, Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, Prudential Building, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed and he advised that he would also notify this office

Victor L. Reisch, head teller, [redacted] was interviewed, and he advised that he first became acquainted with Joseph R. Morrison in business; that subsequently he became personally acquainted with him during his dealings at the bank, and that he has always found Morrison to be a respectable citizen and believes him to be above suspicion as to any criminal tendencies. After checking his records, Mr. Reisch informed the writer that Mr. Morrison has [redacted]

Mr. Edward M. Wolkind, Attorney, 17 Court Building, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed and he advised that he is well acquainted with Joseph R. Morrison; that Morrison is manager of the stores at 420 and 442 Main Street, and also manager of two dress shops on Broadway, Buffalo, New York. Mr. Wolkind stated that from his acquaintance with Morrison he would judge him to be a respectable business man. He stated that Morrison operates on a large scale in Buffalo, being connected with large New York firms.

Age:	45 years
Height:	5' 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight:	158 lbs.
Hair:	Black
Eyes:	Brown
Build:	Stout
Complexion:	Dark



Nationality:	Jewish
Glasses:	Rimless
Scars:	1" scar on left side of chin, perpendicular to mouth
Marital Status:	Married - one child
Occupation:	Manager of stores dealing in ladies' wearing apparel

[REDACTED] b7c

As it was ascertained to the satisfaction of the writer, both by contact with Mr. Morrison and his contact during the interview had with him, and from the various other interviews had in the city of Buffalo, New York, that this man is a respectable citizen and in no way connected with the purchase or registration of the Buick Sedan, motor #4949155, serial #2783525, in Florida under the name of Leroy Morrison, the New York Telephone Company was not contacted for telephone calls made from the various stores and the residence of Joseph R. Morrison, as the calls would be very numerous and the necessity thereof at this time did not seem urgent. However, should subsequent developments indicate that this procedure is practical, these telephone calls will be procured.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, New York, dated December 19, 1934, in which it is set out that Mrs. L. S. Davis or Bernice Scott, 8523 Pine Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York, may have had connections of value in instant case.

Mr. J. Helffenstein of the New York Telephone Company Buffalo, New York, was contacted and he advised that there were two telephones at the above address--Niagara Falls 1931, in the name of Mrs. Mildred Scott, which had been discontinued for non-payment; and Niagara Falls 4226, in the name of Bernice Scott. A check of the long distance telephone calls placed at the above numbers from June 5, 1934 to November 26, 1934 was made, and it was found that there were no out of state telephone calls made from either of these numbers except on August 29, 1934, when a call was placed to Hudson 1526, at Toronto, Ontario, Canada. This number was called again on September 26, 1934. It is listed in the name of Thomas James. From this list it is noted that Niagara Falls 1287-J was called several times, as also was Niagara Falls 123; that a telegram

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was sent to Portland, Oregon on September 11, 1934, but there is no notation of the name of the addressee.

Immediately upon receipt of reference telegram, the Buffalo Police Department was requested to send out a teletype message notifying the police authorities in this district to be on the alert for subjects Karpis and Campbell, who were supposed to be traveling in a 1935 two-door Buick Sedan, motor #4949253, serial #2783525, last seen with Florida license tags #D-8306. The said police department agreed to the request of this office and did send the information, which was conveyed to it over its teletype system. Subsequently information was received from the said police department relative to the abandoning of the Buick Sedan in which subjects Karpis and Campbell and the woman accompanying them in their travel from Florida to Atlantic City, and the stealing by them in Atlantic City on January 20, 1935 of a Pontiac Coupe, bearing 1935 New Jersey license tags #3073, said car being pea green in color. This information was conveyed over the teletype system in this district and all police authorities were advised to be on the alert. The Division and the Philadelphia Offices were advised of these developments by telegram.

Special Agent P. J. Cotter, who was in Syracuse, N.Y., was advised of the gun battle in which the above named subjects were involved, and he was instructed to notify police authorities and hospitals in the vicinity of Syracuse to be on the alert for subjects. Special Agent Cotter advised this office that he had contacted with the police authorities in Syracuse and had notified all hospitals in the vicinity.

On January 20, 1935, contact was had with all the hospitals in the city of Buffalo, requesting them to notify this office should subjects Karpis or Campbell present themselves for treatment of gun shot wounds.

This office also dispatched telegrams to ten hospitals in New York State, located at strategic points in this territory, requesting them to notify this office in the event either of the above named subjects presented himself for treatment for gun shot wounds. Telegrams were also forwarded to the Chiefs of Police at Albany, Glens Falls, Plattsburgh, Malone, Oswego, Watertown, Syracuse, Elmira, Binghamton, Jamestown, Hornell, Ithaca, Geneva, and Niagara Falls, New York, furnishing them with the information relative to the gun battle in which subjects Karpis and Campbell were involved with the police at Atlantic City, requesting them to be on the alert for subjects and to notify the hospitals in their jurisdictions of the possibility of the aforementioned subjects

appearing at such institutions for treatment of gun shot wounds, and to make arrangements with such hospitals to be notified in case subjects did appear.

Approximately two hundred and fifty letters, a sample of which is attached to all copies of this report, were sent to hospitals and doctors in this territory, in which letter the said hospitals and doctors were requested to advise this office in the event subjects put in their appearance for treatment. These letters were also sent out to all peace officers in this territory.

On January 21, 1935 Special Agent E. Whittley of the Philadelphia office, communicated by telephone with Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, who was at the Park Hotel in Lockport, New York. Agent Whittley advised that the Pontiac Coupe in which subjects had made their get-away from Atlantic City had been found about two miles from Quakertown, Pennsylvania. Agent Whittley advised that no information had been received as to the description of the car in which subjects might now be traveling. Mr. Whittley mentioning that it is possible that subjects could pass through this territory and requesting that steps be taken to effect the apprehension of subjects in the event they should pass through this district.

Immediately upon receipt of this information, contact was had with the Buffalo Police Department and a teletype message was dispatched, requesting all police authorities to be on the alert for subjects.

On January 22, 1935, Detective Sergeant Kenney, of the Buffalo Police Department, advised the writer that he had received a list of the cars that had been stolen in Pennsylvania, in which subjects might possibly be traveling. These cars are as follows:

- 1934 Studebaker Sedan, bearing 1935 Pennsylvania license tags E-7217, motor #EC475, black in color
- 1935 Ford two-door Sedan, bearing Pennsylvania license tags F-5942, black in color
- 1934 Ford V-8 Sedan, bearing Pennsylvania 1935 license tags BV189, motor #16673680, black in color
- X Pontiac Sedan, bearing Pennsylvania license tags #19732, motor #266032, gray in color
- 1926 Chrysler Roadster, bearing Pennsylvania 1935 license tags #75609, motor #6616
- X Buick Sedan, bearing 1935 Pennsylvania license tags 4R198, motor #1907143
- Plymouth Sedan, bearing Pennsylvania 1935 license tags #50216.



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As this information was received over the teletype system with which the Buffalo Police Department is connected, and which takes in eight states in the vicinity of New York State, it is presumed that all offices in this vicinity were fully notified thereof.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD

The CHICAGO OFFICE, at CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, will contact the Parmelee Transfer Company, 1147 West Monroe Street, and ascertain to what address the trunk of Gladys Rodell, bearing Buffalo check #007418, was sent.

PENDING

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
P. O. Box #64  
612 Marine Trust Bldg.  
Buffalo, New York

January 20th, 1935

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
KIDNAPING

The above-named subjects on Sunday, January 20th, 1935 engaged in a gun battle with the police at Atlantic City, New Jersey. Campbell is said to have received a gun shot wound in the course of the encounter with the police.

These men are dangerous criminals and will shoot to kill on the least provocation.

Should either of these men, whose descriptions will be set forth herein below, call on you for treatment of the wound, please advise this office by telephone collect. The telephone number is:

Cleveland 2030 et Buffalo, New York.

If you cannot conveniently use a telephone, you are respectfully requested to advise this office by telegram (Government Rate Collect) should either of them present themselves for treatment. Telegrams should be addressed:

J. P. MacFarland  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
612 Marine Trust Building  
Buffalo, New York.

Your local police authorities should also be immediately advised.

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These men are described as follows:

Alvin Karpis, aliases: A. Carter, Raymond Hadley, George Haller, Alvin Karpis, A. Karpis, Alvin Karpis, George Dunn, R. E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Ray Karpis, E. L. Burns, R. L. Burns, J. J. Burns, William Lohman, E. L. Burnes	Name	Harry Campbell, aliases: Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn, George L. Martin
24 years	Age	30 years
5' 9"	Height	5' 5"
130 pounds (1930)	Weight	135 pounds
Brown	Eyes	Blue
Brown	Hair	Brown
Slender	Build	Medium
Light	Complexion	Ruddy
1 Vac. cic. str. Small Pit cic. on face.	Scars and Marks	
Has unusually long manicured fingernails, hands are white, fingers long, very noticeable	Peculiarities	Said to walk with slight limp.

These criminals are said to be using a Pontiac Coach, Pea Green in color, bearing 1935 New Jersey plates No. A3073, motor No. 1039382, in making their get-away. It is also possible that they are driving a Ford V-8 DeLuxe Sedan with white wire wheels, possibly bearing Florida, Tennessee or Illinois plates.

Warrants for the arrest of these men are in existence.

Every precaution should be exercised in endeavoring to effect the apprehension of these criminals as they are well equipped with firearms and will shoot to kill at the least provocation.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated by the Division of Investigation and the writer.

Very truly yours

*J. P. MacFarland*  
J. P. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge

JPM:CJG

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

EAT:RLM

January 22, 1935

Time 12:45 A.M.

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Agent Harris called me this morning and advised that he had just received a call from the State Police advising him that they have the doctor's car in which Karpis and Campbell drove to Medina, Ohio; that the car had Pennsylvania plates, 39179; that they are believed headed towards the west in the Northern part of Ohio.

I advised Mr. Harris that we have received the above information and that Mr. Connelley has notified Detroit and Chicago.

Respectfully,

*EAT*  
E. A. Tamm.

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DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 4:00 PM

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

*Bruner case*

Mr. Ladd telephoned and inquired if the Campbell who was reported wounded was Agent Campbell of the Division. I advised Mr. Ladd that the wounded man was not Agent Campbell but Harry Campbell, an associate of Karpis. Mr. Ladd stated that Agent Campbell's wife was in Chicago and in order that she might not become unduly alarmed if the radio broadcast the news that a man named Campbell was injured, he, Mr. Ladd, would telephone her and advise her that the wounded man was not her husband.

Respectfully,



E.A. Tamm

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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 1:30 PM

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

During telephonic conversation with Mr. Nathan at St. Paul, I advised him of the details of the shooting affray at Atlantic City, New Jersey, in connection with the Bremer case.

Respectfully,

  
E.A. Tamm

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DIRECTOR

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935

Time - 6:50 pm

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

re Bremer case.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Suydam telephoned me and wanted to know what comment if any is going to be made relative to the affair up at Atlantic City. I told him that I knew nothing about it and presumed that the affair was being handled by you; that if any statement was going to be issued, you would undoubtedly get in touch with him.

Mr. Suydam stated that he has received some inquiries about the affair, and wanted to be advised if any statement was going to be issued.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935.

Time-8:08A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Heffler called me and advised that he had just been advised from Atlantic City that two of the women have been apprehended. One of them is in the hospital and the other in the Detective Department. Mr. Heffler advised them to hold these women pending the arrival of our Agents. I advised Mr. Heffler that these women should be fingerprinted and vigorously interviewed; that we should find out where they were staying and recover any of the arsenal which they have abandoned. A gun was found in the abandoned car. A police broadcast has already been made of the description of the car in which they made their getaway.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, regarding Mrs. Kate Barker (deceased), please be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of the Division of Investigation fails to disclose any data concerning this individual.

There appears, however, in our files the following notation concerning the above subject:

"WANTED BY DIVISION: As Kate Barker, aliases: Mother Barker, Mrs. Arthur F. Hunter, Mrs. Arrie Barker, Mrs. Kate Hunter, Mrs. J. W. Dunlop, suspect in Bremer Kidnap Case. Notify Director, per information received in Division Bulletin of September 17, 1934."

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

CC-  
Division Office,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR  
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 19, 1935

Time - 4:55 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

*Bremer Case*

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Alt at Jacksonville, he stated that Mr. Connelley is still waiting for the service of a subpoena down at Ocala in that he has about \$4,000 of the money. I told him that the subpoena should be served on Mr. Futch, and in the meantime, we would make arrangements to have Connelley turn the money over.

Mr. Alt stated that he was his understanding that he was to turn the money and the car over to the United States Marshal and get receipts therefor. I told him to be sure and check the mileage on the car and to see that it is not used by the Marshal while in his possession.

I told Mr. Alt that he would be advised of any further arrangements which would be made.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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January 20, 1935

Time - 1:30 pm

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

*Bremer Case*

I telephoned Mr. Ladd at Chicago and informed him of your desire to have the three men there removed to St. Paul tonight. Mr. Ladd stated that plans are already in the making for this removal. I also told him that the three women should be turned loose probably tomorrow night; that before they are released, they should be given a thorough talking to and try to make informants out of them. I also told him to notify Clara Gibson's lawyer and the police of her pending release.

With reference to the hideout, I told him that he could withdraw the man he has stationed out there; that if any inquiries are received about the finding of this hideout, he should indicate that we have found the place, but not to say when.

Respectfully,

*E. A. Tamm*

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Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Time - 8:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Agent Coulter telephoned from the St. Paul Office and stated that the Agents arrived with Doc Barker with everything in order. He stated that they have secured an apartment where they now have Barker securely in custody; that he is chained to the bed, and is being guarded from every angle; that he is changing the guards every eight hours so as to preclude the possibility of their becoming overly tired. I told Mr. Coulter that this man is a very dangerous criminal, and every precaution should be taken with him.

Mr. Coulter stated that he has cautioned his men not to talk with Barker under any circumstances. I asked if Barker has been informed that his brother and mother have been killed, and Mr. Coulter said that he is not aware of this. I told him that Barker should be informed of this fact.

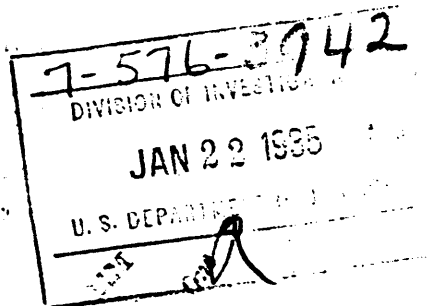
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Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Time - 8:50 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Barker-Karpis

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Alt at Jacksonville, he stated that Agent Brown had checked all the hospitals down there with negative results, and it is believed that the parties have gone to Cuba; that authority was requested to send a couple of Agents to Cuba if necessary. I told him that it would be all right to send a couple of the Agents to Cuba by airplane if it was deemed necessary; that the Division should be notified of the names of the Agents going if such a move is made.

He stated that Agent McLaughlin brought \$10,000 of the money found in the possession of the Barkers to Mr. Alt tonight; that he has it in the safe in the office; that Mr. Connelley has the other \$4,000, the numbers of which Mr. Alt has; that Mr. Connelley had instructed him to hold the money there and not turn it over to anyone unless so authorized by the Division. Mr. Connelley did not have the number of the Buick automobile, but was going to get this number and forward it directly to St. Paul, together with the name of the coroner, whose name is L. E. Futch.

Mr. Connelley is of the opinion that if it becomes necessary to subpoena this money, it can be done through the coroner.

Mr. Alt stated that in the event Mr. Connelley cannot be located at the Marion Hotel in Ocala, he can be reached through the Oklawaha Inn at Oklawaha, Florida, which place is near the house. He stated that Mr. Stapleton is with Mr. Connelley.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

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12:15 P.M.

January 18, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
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Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Coulter called from St. Paul and stated they had just delivered Doc Barker to the Marshal; that he is in jail and arrangements have been completed - he will be held incommunicado, and will have an extra guard over him. I advised every precaution should be taken with Barker, as he is one of the most dangerous criminals in America today. With reference to the money and Buick coupe, Mr. Coulter stated he had talked with the United States Attorney, Sullivan and he (the United States Attorney) said the action would have to be filed in Florida, and stated he thought it advisable for the Department to contact the United States Attorney in Florida to have an order filed, impounding the money and car. I advised we had already taken to matter up with the United States Attorney in Florida and because of the failure to come to terms, had taken the matter up then with Sullivan. Mr. Coulter said he would again talk to Sullivan, and advise me.

Mr. Coulter subsequently called and stated he had again talked with Sullivan and he and his assistants are now preparing the necessary papers, and they desire a better description of the Buick automobile, and desire the name of the official, as well as his address, to whom the order should be addressed. I instructed that he call Mr. Alt in Jacksonville and secure this information. Mr. Coulter stated a subpoena duces tecum would be issued on the official holding the possessions and have him bring them to St. Paul or turn them over to a representative of this Division.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 3:55 PM

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Mr. Clegg	.....
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Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Mr. Ladd telephoned and advised that they had tel  
Prayer out to the hide out and he states that it is definitely the p  
without any doubt. His conclusions are based on his identification of the  
wall paper and of the general plan of the house, and Mr. Ladd stated that  
he is agreeable to testify to these identifications in court.

I instructed Mr. Ladd to arrange to take the three men  
to St. Paul tomorrow night and that it would be agreeable to take them  
by train using Government Transportation Requests for the purpose.

I also advised Mr. Ladd that four or five of the agents  
would be returning to Chicago from Jacksonville tomorrow and that they would  
probably reach Chicago about Tuesday morning, and I inquired if the agents  
who have been instructed to report to the Division for training on Monday  
could be spared. Mr. Ladd stated that he believed that they could be spared  
without jeopardizing anything and accordingly they would report to the Division  
as instructed.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 5:10 PM

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
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Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
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Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
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Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

I telephoned Mr. Alt and informed him that the subpoena duces tecum which had been issued for the possession of the money and the car, was issued merely for the protection of the local authorities and the coroner and that nothing further need be done in this regard as long as the money and car were in Federal custody, other than serving the subpoena; that it would not be necessary for them to appear in St. Paul. I instructed Mr. Alt to get a receipt and place it in a secure place in an envelope.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

January 22, 1935.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Penn.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases & I.O. 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. 1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1213  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O.  
1232, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

This is with reference to my long distance telephone conversation with Agent Whitley, speaking from Philadelphia on January 21, 1935, at 6:30 P. M. when he advised that in the baggage of Karpis, Campbell, Delaney, and Burdett, there was found a contract, No. 4837, written in Spanish between the National City Bank, Havana Cuba Branch, and E. M. Wagner, apparently Karpis, when translated disclosed Wagner rented a safety deposit box, No. 344, in the Branch Bank in Havana, Cuba, on September 22, 1934, for a period of one year, at time of rental paying \$10.00 box rent. Key for this box, No. 1724, was also found in the baggage.

At 8:30 P. M. on January 21, 1935, Mr. Connelley from Philadelphia advised that by air mail special delivery he was forwarding the key to Box 344, to Agent Hanson at Miami, Florida, requesting that the same be forwarded to Agent R. D. Brown, Plaza Hotel, Havana, Cuba, by registered air mail special delivery.

Subsequent to my conversation with Agent Whitley I communicated with Agents Brown and Hanson by telephone. Subsequent to my telephone conversation with Mr. Connelley I also contacted Brown in Havana by telephone, furnishing both Messrs. Hanson and Brown with all of the information given me by Agents Whitley and Connelley.

Very truly yours,  
RECORDED & INDEXED 7-576-3915

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Division  
New York  
St. Paul  
Chicago,  
Mr. J. H. Hanson,  
Mr. R. D. Brown.

JAN 25 1935

RAA:MFS

Jacksonville, Florida,  
January 22, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. 1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I. O.  
1232, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

On 1-21-35, at about 9:45 P. M., Special Agent M. D. Brown, from Miami, Florida, by telephone furnished me the following information, which was immediately relayed to Special Agent Hessler of the Philadelphia Office.

Agent Brown referred to his report, dated 11-23-34, particularly to Pages 8, 9 and 10, advising that at the El Commodore Hotel in Miami, Special Agent Hanson learned that Duke Randall and Codomo, whose home is in Newark, N. J., had entertained Joe Adams in Newark. When Adams came back to Miami he stated to one Gray, a clerk at the El Commodore Hotel, that Randall and Codomo had treated him so nicely in Newark that when they came to Miami he expected to have them as his guests at the El Commodore Hotel.

Previously, several weeks ago, when Special Agent Hanson was in Miami conducting investigation, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Whitley in New York was requested to conduct investigation at Newark with reference to Codomo, who has a brother in that City by the name of Leonard Codomo, who runs the Select Used Car Co., Inc., 317 Central Ave., Newark, N.J. He buys automobiles over the country and his place is believed to be a good one for the purchase of cars in Miami, Florida.

I informed Agent Hessler that there is a possibility that the remainder of the mob, especially Karpis and Campbell might contact Leonard Codomo in Newark. The other Codomo and Randall came to Miami, the latter part of November, 1934, and are still in Miami, Florida.

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cc - Division  
Connellley - Philadelphia  
St. Paul  
Chicago  
Hanson - Miami

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.



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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minn.

REPORT MADE AT: Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE: 1/22/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/20-22/35	REPORT MADE BY: H. H. REINECKE:LN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; RUSSELL GIBSON, I.O. #1213; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>All law enforcement officers in the Indianapolis District advised by radio broadcast, teletype and telegram of the description of the two-door Buick sedan in which Karpis and Delores Delaney believed to have left Florida. Same officials subsequently notified of description of Pontiac Coach and Ford V8 deluxe sedan, in either of which cars Karpis and subject Harry Campbell might have escaped from Atlantic City, New Jersey. Authorities given description of Karpis, Delores Delaney and Harry Campbell. All hospitals this district immediately circularized with reference to possible wounding of Harry Campbell with the request that the Indianapolis Office be immediately notified if he reported for hospitalization.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Telegrams from the Division dated January 20, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.</u></p> <p>Upon receipt of reference telegram giving the description of the two-door Buick sedan in which Karpis and Delores Delaney were last seen in Florida all police officers of the principal cities in the Indianapolis District were immediately notified by telegram thereof. The Indianapolis Police Department immediately broadcast the description of this car over its police radio.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. H. Reinecke</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO: 3 Division 2 St. Paul 1 Chicago 2 Indianapolis		<p>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> <p>7-576-3918</p> <p>JAN 24 1935 A.M.</p> <p>BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION</p> <p>ROUTED TO: FILE</p> <p>ONE</p>	
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In addition these officers were given the descriptions of Karpis and Delores Delaney.

Upon receipt of Division telegram advising of the gun battle between Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and the Atlantic City, New Jersey, Police Department, the same law enforcement officials in this district were advised by telegram and radio of the description of the Pontiac Coach and the Ford V8 deluxe sedan in either of which Karpis and Campbell are thought to have made their escape. Description of Harry Campbell was also supplied at this time.

In addition, a list of all hospitals in the Indianapolis District was immediately secured from a directory in the Indianapolis Public Library and circular letter was mailed out on Sunday evening, January 20, 1935, to these hospitals, requesting that they immediately communicate with the Indianapolis Office by long distance telephone in case anyone answering the description of Harry Campbell was received in any of these hospitals for treatment of gun shot wound.

Subsequent Division telegram advised of the abandonment of the Pontiac sedan at Quakerstown, Pennsylvania.

Subsequent news dispatches have indicated that Karpis and Campbell took the car of a doctor in Pennsylvania and were holding the doctor as a hostage; that they drove as far as Wadsworth, Ohio, where the doctor was left. Since then the Associated Press has advised the Indianapolis Office that the doctor's car was found abandoned on the morning of January 22, 1935, at Monroe, Michigan. At present there is no description of any car in which they might now be traveling.

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**U. S. Bureau of Investigation**

Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

RAA:MFS

SPECIAL DELIVERY AIR MAIL

January 22, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218  
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DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O.  
1232; et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING.

This will confirm my long distance telephone conversation with Mr. Tolson of the Division at 9:20 P. M. on January 21, 1935, when he stated that one Paul Green of 2500 Biscayne Boulevard, Apartment 202, called the Division, advising that he had information on Karpis, which he could not give over the telephone, Mr. Tolson advising Green that an Agent would call on him in a very few minutes.

At the conclusion of my telephone conversation with Mr. Tolson at 9:25 P. M. I contacted Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson at the Alcazar Hotel in Miami, Florida, requesting that he contact Green immediately.

At 1:30 A. M. on January 22, 1935 while conversing by long distance telephone in another matter connected with this case Mr. Hanson advised that immediately subsequent to my earlier conversation with him he contacted Paul Green. He is a Miami gambler and most of the information that he was able to furnish concerning Karpis was already in the possession of Mr. Hanson.

Green advised Mr. Hanson where Karpis lived in Miami and of his indirect or direct connection with Joe Adams and general hookup in Miami.

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He also furnished Agent Hanson with the names and addresses of contacts that Karpis and Campbell may have in Philadelphia. Agent Hanson stated that the information obtained from Green was pretty indefinite in general.

Agent Hanson advised that early during the morning of January 22, 1935 he would contact Mr. Connelley by long distance telephone in Philadelphia and furnish him with all of the pertinent information obtained from Green.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - St. Paul  
Chicago  
New York  
Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Philadelphia Office,

Mr. J. H. Hanson,  
Halcyon Hotel,  
Miami, Florida.

**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**  
1331 First National Bank Bldg.,  
El Paso, Texas.

PHONE MAIN 501

January 20, 1935.

TO ALL PEACE OFFICERS and  
HOSPITALS:

ALVIN KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL, two remaining members of the Bremer Kidnaping Gang, engaged in a gun battle with police at Atlantic City, N.J., January 20, 1935 and escaped. Campbell is reported wounded. They made their getaway in a Pontiac Coach bearing 1935 New Jersey license A-3073, Motor 1039382. This car is pea green in color. It is possible that they may have changed to a Ford V8 DeLuxe Sedan with white wire wheels, bearing Florida, Tennessee, or Illinois plates.

All officers are requested to keep sharp lookout for the above parties, it being noted that practically all of you have pictures of Alvin Karpis on our identification order #1218, but whose further description is as follows:

Age	29
Height	5' 9 3/4
Weight	130
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Comp	Fair

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Harry Campbell is described as:

Age	About 44 yrs.
Height	5' 5"
Weight	140 lbs.
Build	Medium
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Comp.	Ruddy.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION	
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All officers are requested to contact the hospitals in their respective vicinities with a view to receiving information should Campbell be brought to hospitals for treatment. All officers are further advised that these men are two of the most desperate and dangerous fugitives and that all precautions should be used in attempting to effect their capture.

Hospitals receiving copies of this letter are respectfully requested to cooperate to the extent of making note of new patients requiring treatment for gunshot wounds and to promptly advise the nearest officers.

Should any information concerning them be received, please communicate with the undersigned by telephone COLLECT to MAIN 501, El Paso. This cancels and supercedes radio broadcast notice put out Sunday, 1/20/35, concerning Karpis travelling in a Buick Sedan.

*Division* ✓  
RHC:jn

Very truly yours,  
*R.H. Colvin*  
R.H. Colvin  
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:SLH

January 22, 1935

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases--I. O. #1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases--I. O. #1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1232;  
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING

I am enclosing Government bill of lading No. J69686, with yellow memorandum copy, covering one wooden box of miscellaneous firearms, valued at \$500.00, weighing one hundred and forty-two pounds. Also duplicate list of the guns and equipment which are contained in the wooden box covered by this bill of lading.

The above equipment was found in the house on Lake Weir, Oklawaha, Florida, after Kate and Fred Barker were killed on January 16, 1935.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosures  
cc E.J. Connelley, Chicago  
St. Paul  
Jax #7-24

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W.P.G.

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EDWARD

RECEIVED

GUNS, PISTOLS, CARTRIDGES and EMPTY SHELLS  
TAKEN AT THE BARKER HOUSE AT OKLAWAHA, FLORIDA, ON  
JANUARY 16, 1935.

One Thompson Machine Gun - 1921 Model - Number illegible  
One Thompson Machine Gun - 1921 Model - Number illegible  
One 50-cartridge drum for Thompson Machine Gun - did contain fifty loaded shells  
One 50-cartridge drum for Thompson Machine Gun - empty  
One 100-cartridge drum for Thompson Machine Gun - did contain seventy loaded shells  
One stock for Thompson Machine Gun - Number 13578  
One 45 Calibre Colts Automatic Pistol Number C-160657 - damaged by bullet hitting handle  
  
One 45 Calibre Colts Automatic Pistol Number C-161841  
Nine 45 automatic pistol clips  
One 380 Calibre Automatic Colt Pistol - number illegible  
Five 380 automatic pistol clips  
One Browning 12 gauge Automatic Shotgun - Number 92870  
One Remington 12 gauge pump shotgun - Number 272907  
One Winchester 33 calibre lever action rifle - Number illegible.

The above were shipped to the Division, Washington,  
D. C., On January 22, 1935, via Railway Express Agency.

JCW:HAM.  
7-24  
Jacksonville, Florida

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

J- 69686

Bill to Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice  
(Department or Establishment and Bureau or Service)

(Appropriation chargeable)

Jacksonville, Florida

(Issuing office)

GOVERNMENT BILL  
OF LADING

R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation (Issuing officer)

January 22, 1935  
(Date issued)

MEMORANDUM COPY

Received from R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge  
(Consignor)

by the Railway Express Agency the public property hereinafter described  
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(Consignee)  
of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

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		one wooden box	Miscellaneous firearms valued at \$500	142 lbx.

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AUTHORITY FOR SHIPMENT

By *[Signature]*  
(Name of transportation company)

January 1935 Per *[Signature]*  
(Agent)

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(To be filled out when this bill of lading is issued for use by contractor in making shipment)

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(F. O. B. point named in contract)

(Issuing officer)

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414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

January 22, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
P.O. Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Fla.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith three statements  
of Revels Studio, Ocala, Fla., for photographs taken by him  
of the house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker at Ocklawaha, Fla.

It will be noted that each statement appears  
on a different date and in this connection it is respectfully  
requested that you prepare a voucher for each statement and for-  
ward same to Mr. Revels at Ocala for his certification.

Very truly yours,

Encs.  
JIM:AG.  
cc: Division

E.J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.  
(Special Assignment)

7-576-  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

ONE R



1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
JANUARY 21, 1935.

E. V. Hallock  
Post Office Inspector in Charge  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

This will confirm my telephone conversation had with you on 1-18-35, at which time you were advised it will no longer be necessary that this office receive tissue wrappings of all first class mail received by C. R. Tate at 1405 Forest Street, Kansas City, Missouri; at 1320 East 29th Street, Kansas City, Missouri and at the Buffalo Inn, 4325 East 8th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Assuring you of our deep appreciation of your splendid cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

RPS:os

cc - Division

In Re: Brekid

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ONE

1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
JANUARY 21, 1935.

Postmaster:  
Joplin, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that it will no longer be necessary  
for you to furnish this office with tissue tracings of first  
class mail addressed to George E. Barker in care of the Tri-  
State Oil Company Filling Station at Joplin, Missouri.

Thanking you for the splendid cooperation you have  
given this office in the above matter, I am

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

RPS:os  
cc - Division

In Re: Brekid.

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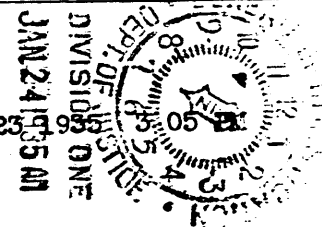
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PHILADELPHIA PENNA JANUARY 23 1935



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US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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BREKID FORWARD IMMEDIATELY AIR MAIL CERTIFIED COPY INDICTMENT AND CAPIAS FOR ALVIN KARPIS TO US ATTORNEYS PHILADELPHIA AND JACKSONVILLE

HARVEY

BGH:AG.  
cc:Division

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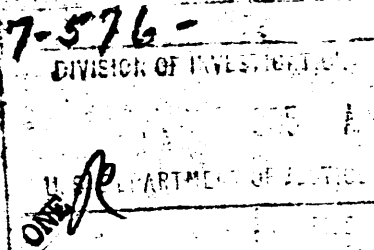
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Jacksonville, Florida.

RAA:MFS

January 22, 1935.

SPECIAL DELIVERY AIR MAIL

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Penn.



Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. 1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O. 1232,  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

This will confirm my telephone conversation with you at 1:00 A. M. on January 22, 1935, when you advised that at 12:30 A. M. on January 21, 1935, a telephone call was made from Miami, Florida, to No. 4-9732, which is a cigar store in Atlantic City, N.J., operated by Sam Morley, who is a brother of the proprietor of the Dan-Mar Hotel in Atlantic City, to which Hotel Karpis and Campbell were referred by Duke Randall at Miami, Florida, the caller being a woman, who inquired:

"Q. Was there any shooting?

A. Yes.

Q. How did the men make out?

A. Men got away and women taken to Philadelphia."

The woman replying "Uhuh" and hung up, Sam Morley at Atlantic City being the other person talking.

Subsequent to my telephone conversation with you I spoke with a contact in the local telephone office, the Manager of which has constantly refused to furnish us information without Court order. This contact stated that slips for long distance telephone calls from Miami, were always mailed to Jacksonville; that any slips covering conversations at 12:30 A. M. on January 21, 1935, would not be forwarded from Miami until about noon on January 22, 1935.

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To Mr. Connelley.

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1/22/35

I immediately furnished the information given by you to Agent Hanson in Miami, Florida, requesting that early during the morning of January 22, 1935, he make appropriate inquiry at the telephone company in Miami, which company is very co-operative with our Agents, to determine the identity of the caller, who conversed with Sam Morley at No. 4-9732 at 12:30 A. M. on January 21, 1935, suggesting to Mr. Hanson that possibly this might be William Harrison's woman and that both she and Harrison might still be in Miami. Agent Hanson agreed to handle this the first thing.

Concerning telephone call mentioned herein Mr. Connelley advised that calls made from the Oklawaha Florida Inn, near which place Kate and Fred Barker were killed on January 16, 1935, were checked by J. F. Lacour.

Reviewing Agent Lacour's memorandum of calls made from the Oklawaha Inn by various persons it does not appear that those calls had any connection with the one from Miami to Atlantic City.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Division ✓  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
Mr. J. H. Hanson,  
Halcyon Hotel,  
Miami, Florida.

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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri  
January 22, 1935.

AIR MAIL.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

7-576  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
JAN 23 1935 A.M.  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
ONE FILE

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I O #1218,  
ARTHUR B. BARKER with aliases - I O #1219,  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I O #1213,  
MR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I O #1232, ET AL,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING.

The enclosed map of the State of Kansas was forwarded to this office by Special Agent in Charge Connelley from Jacksonville, Florida, with information to the effect that the map was found in the home previously occupied by Fred Barker, Kate Barker, Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdett at Oklawaha, Florida.

Mr. Connelley's letter called attention to the penciled marks on the map indicating a route from Ottawa, Kansas, to Cherryvale, Kansas, with the writing "16 / 73 W". Mr. Connelley's letter advised that the significance of these markings is not known, and that the map was forwarded for the attention of this office.

Examination of the map shows that the penciled figures on it undoubtedly related to the highways traced over by pencil running between Cherryvale and Ottawa. It will be noted that State Road 16 runs from Cherryvale to Earlton, Kansas, and at a point slightly north and east of Earlton joins Highway 73 W, which proceeds to Ottawa and continues north. Route 16 continues south from Cherryvale into Oklahoma and at Collinsville, Oklahoma, joins Route 73, which continues into Tulsa, a distance of approximately twenty miles from Collinsville.

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2. Inasmuch as it is known that the relatives of both Wynona Burdett and Harry Campbell reside in that section of Oklahoma, and that Wynona Burdett has been in Oklahoma until recently, it would appear that she is probably in possession of information concerning the map in question and the markings upon it. It is, accordingly, deemed desirable to forward the map to you, in order that Wynona Burdett may be questioned concerning it, it being noted from press dispatches that she is presently held at Philadelphia. It is believed that in this way the significance of the map may be more quickly determined than through any inquiries which might be made here.

It is noted that the map in question contains no indication as to the place from which obtained, and similar maps, are of course, available at any filling station of the Sinclair Refining Company.

An exact duplicate of the map in question has been marked with identical notations and is being retained in this office for possible future inquiries.

Very truly yours,

R. B. WATHAN  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc-Division

Chicago - Mr. Connelley  
Jacksonville  
Oklahoma City  
St. Paul

Encl. (Philadelphia)



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AND  
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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG  
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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 21, 1935.

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 4:35 PM

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Whitley telephoned from Philadelphia with reference to the abandoned car, found near Quakertown, Pennsylvania, which car was the one used by Karpis and Campbell in making their escape from Atlantic City. Mr. Whitley stated that he had been unable to contact the Chief of Police at Quakertown, who was the individual who took the car into custody, but that he had talked with the Chief's daughter; that she advised him that the car had been found by a farmer about two miles south of Quakertown; that the farmer had notified the Chief of Police at Quakertown who after several hours delay, apparently, went down and took the car into custody and then notified the Pennsylvania State Police at Doylestown, Pennsylvania. There was no blood in the car when found, but there were four bullet holes, and the car is now at the State Police barracks at Doylestown.

Mr. Whitley stated that he thought Karpis might be heading into Buffalo as the route along which they had proceeded to the point where the car was found, was a direct line from Atlantic City to Buffalo. I instructed Mr. Whitley to telephone Mr. MacFarland at Buffalo and give him this information.

Mr. Whitley stated that no information in regard to the finding of the car had been reported to the Philadelphia office by the Pennsylvania State Police up to the present time; that he had learned of the finding of the car through a newspaper report and that Agent Rice at Atlantic City had heard it from the teletype report there which had been sent to the Atlantic City police from the Pennsylvania State Police.

Time 4:55 PM

I telephoned and advised Mr. Whitley at Philadelphia to instruct Mr. Harvey, upon his arrival at Philadelphia, that it is your wish that he, Mr. Harvey, communicate with Major Adams, of the Pennsylvania State Police, and advise Major Adams of the fact that the car used by Karpis and Campbell had been found by members of the State Police, who had not notified the Division, and that Mr. Harvey should impress upon Major Adams that the Division is unable to understand why we were not notified in as much as the case is a Federal one and one in which the Division is actively engaged. I instructed Mr. Whitley to have Mr. Harvey telephone the Division after he had talked with Major Adams.

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Respectfully

E.A. Tamm

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JAN 22 1935

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935

Mr. Baughman...  
Chief Clerk...  
Mr. Coffey...  
Mr. Edwards...  
Mr. Egan...  
Mr. Harbo...  
Mr. Keith...  
Mr. Lester...  
Mr. Quinn...  
Mr. Schilder...  
Mr. Tamm...  
Mr. Tracy...  
Miss Gandy...

Time - 5:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Harold Nathan telephoned from Chicago and gave him your instructions that he should proceed immediately to St. Paul and there lend his assistance in the returning of indictments against the Barker-Karpis gang. I told him of your desire to have those members of the gang indicted who are at the present time dead, also informing him of the feeling at St. Paul that the grand jury will not indict these persons because of their being dead. I also told him that we were going to submit the matter to the Department for their opinion.

Mr. Nathan stated that it was his understanding that he was not to talk to the press about this matter; that the matter is being handled by the Department. I told him that he was correct in this understanding. I also mentioned that Mr. Ladd should offer no comment when questioned by the press.

Mr. Nathan stated that he would leave on a train tonight for St. Paul and be there in the morning.

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM

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DIRECTOR

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U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

EAT:CSH

January 21, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:10 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman..  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

*Advised Bremer*

I called Mr. Ladd in connection with the Bremer case, and requested advice as to further developments. He stated the morning papers are carrying the story about the hideout, with photographs and full details; that they must have gone out last night after Ladd left; that they quote some of the people living in the house as having identified Bremer's picture as the man who was out there on Saturday to look the place over.

I requested advice as to whether photographs had been taken of Allerton and Farmer when they were in the office. He stated photographs had been taken but had not been sent in to the Division, and I requested that he forward them by special delivery, air mail.

Respectfully,

*E. A. Tamm*  
E. A. Tamm.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

January 19, 1935.

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 11:50 AM

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

*Edmund Bremer*

Mr. Nathan telephoned from St. Paul and advised that he had just returned from a conference with the United States Attorney, who advised him that he had called Mr. Stanley yesterday regarding the indictment in the Bremer case and that as a result Mr. Stanley and the U.S. Attorney arrived at the opinion that the names of the dead persons, Fred and Kate Barker, should not be included in the indictment, but that they should be mentioned in the narrative of the indictment, showing specifically the parts they played. I advised Mr. Nathan that I would submit the above information for your consideration.

I also advised Mr. Nathan that a memorandum had been sent to Mr. Stanley recommending the hiring of the three deputy marshals in accordance with Mr. Nathan's request but that nothing had been heard in this regard. Mr. Nathan requested to be advised in the event Mr. Stanley issued these instructions so that he could advise the Marshal's office as they knew nothing of the matter.

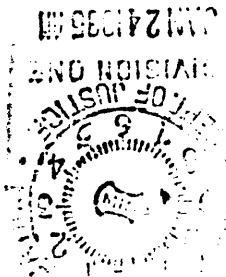
Respectfully,



E.A. Tamm

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

REN:CSH

January 22, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

9:10 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
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Miss Gandy.....

Agent D. E. Hall of the Detroit Office telephoned from Cleveland, Ohio to advise that Agent Tripani had returned from Wadsworth, Ohio where he had interviewed Dr. H. H. Hunsicker, an intern physician attached to the Allentown State Hospital, Allentown, Pennsylvania, and who resides at 1625 Grace Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Hunsicker advised that at about 8 A.M., yesterday morning, while driving from Philadelphia to Allentown, he was stopped by two individuals whom he identifies as Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, as he was approaching Allentown. Campbell took the wheel of his car and Karpis got in the back seat with a machine gun and kept him covered. They then drove his car over back roads and finally reached Highway #224, near Guilford Center, Ohio, around 9:30 P.M. They took him into Grange Hall, a Masonic Lodge, bound him hand and foot, and departed in his car, and the doctor is of the impression that they proceeded west on Highway 224 toward Fort Wayne, Indiana and thence into Chicago. Dr. Hunsicker upon freeing himself telephoned the Sheriff at Medina, Ohio and advised him of the incident. Dr. Hunsicker described his car as a 1934 Plymouth coach, black with a thin green body stripe, bearing 1935 Pennsylvania license 39179. The motor number is TE-209213 and the body number 2378079. The car also bore a doctor's emblem and contained a Keystone clock and a doctor's kit.

Dr. Hunsicker stated that Campbell was wearing an overcoat and that Karpis had no overcoat nor suit coat, and that Karpis took the doctor's coat from him to wear. Neither Karpis nor Campbell appeared to be injured and they did not request medical attention.

Agent Hall can be reached either at the Cleveland Hotel or the Federal Building, Main 4140, Extension 58.

Respectfully,

JAN 25 1935

R. E. Newby.

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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

CEK:RLM

January 21, 1935

Time-11:55P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TALLM

Mr. Waters called tonight with reference to the kidnaping of the doctor at Allentown by Karpis and Campbell and stated that he had a call in for Detroit and that the line was busy. I advised Mr. Waters that Mr. Connelley had already talked to Mr. Larson and supplied him with the information.

Mr. Waters stated that a black 1934 Plymouth coach with a green stripe around the body, Pennsylvania plates, 39179, motor number, PC16792, serial number, 1773859, was the car in which Karpis and Campbell drove to Medina, Ohio, in; that Dr. Horace Hunficker of Allentown, Pennsylvania, was held up yesterday and forced to drive to the vicinity of Medina, Ohio, on Route 224, where he was taken from the car and bound; that these men are reported to have a machine gun.

I advised Mr. Waters that the above information was just about the same as Mr. Connelley's except a partial identification of the two men.

Respectfully,

*C. E. Kleinkauf*  
C. E. Kleinkauf.

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January 21, 1935.

REN:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Time 7:30 PM

I telephoned Mr. Larson at Detroit and advised him of the recovery of the car used by Karpis and Campbell near Quakerstown, and that it was very probable that these two subjects were making their way into Cleveland, Ohio, and that he, Mr. Larson, should make certain that his contacts at Cleveland and Toledo were properly covered. Mr. Larson advised that Agent Hall was in Cleveland covering these contacts but that he would send several more agents over there to assist Hall; that it has been ascertained that one of the contacts referred to by Monty Carter at Cleveland is one Jimmy Patton, who is at the Harvard Club and Agent Hall is presently engaged in covering this angle.

In regard to the Toledo contacts, Mr. Larson advised that the [redacted] is trying to contact Fitzgerald, but that he had apparently left the city for a few days; that it had been tried to find out from Monty Carter where Fitzgerald lived, but Carter disclaimed any knowledge of this, or of knowing Fitzgerald. It has been ascertained from the informant, [redacted] that Fitzgerald is limping quite a bit and has to use a cane in walking.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
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DIRECTOR

EAT:TAM

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice 10:30 A.M.  
Washington, D. C.

January 18, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Mr. Ladd and asked if Alderton had talked yet. He replied that he had not; that they had had him up all night and were still talking to him; that he admits having lived at the house in Bensenville over the period of time in question. He was shown photographs taken of the interior of the house and he identifies it as his house. He stated that "Doc" and "Slim" came to the place early in January, through Fred Goetz; that they stayed there for nine days. He stated it was about the time of the Bremer case, but stated he did not know anything about the Bremer case and denies that Bremer was held there and denies any further activities other than that he had the boarders "Doc" and "Slim", who he thought were hiding out from the law. He claims Elmer Farmer never came to his house, but he knows him. I asked relative to his physical condition, inasmuch as he has been drawing compensation from the Veterans Administration. Mr. Ladd stated when he arrived last night he had been drinking, but he appears to be in good shape this morning. I advised the Director desired that a vigorous interview be had with Alderton. Mr. Ladd stated he had talked with Coulter late yesterday evening and he had stated that the United States Attorney had suggested that Bremer view the house at Bensenville before he goes before the Grand Jury on Monday. He advised Mr. Nathan would probably take this matter up with me this morning, from St. Paul. Mr. Ladd stated he could see no objection to this procedure. He stated he believed Agent Brennan should bring Bremer down, as he was the only one who got along with him. I advised #5 would be turned over to the Marshal today.

I advised that a letter had been sent out last night to Mr. Nathan at Chicago, which contained the ballistic specimens, desired for the County Coroner. I stated Mr. Ladd should open this.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

EAT:CSH

January 19, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:15 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
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Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Nathan called from St. Paul in connection with the Bremer case. Mr. Nathan stated he had just talked with Ladd, who advised that Allerton had made a statement, implicating everybody, including Doc, and also accounting for the gasoline cans, and telling about them being there. Mr. Nathan stated that this makes the case pretty nearly "fool-proof". He stated he had suggested to Ladd that Farmer, Carter and Allerton should be brought to St. Paul on Sunday night, and we can hold them in the jail there, so that they will be available if the United States Attorney wants them as witnesses. I asked Nathan whether he thought they would disclose the identity of the witnesses before the Grand Jury, and he stated that, in view of the leaks in the community up there, he could not guarantee this. I asked that every effort be made to keep these witnesses confidential. Mr. Nathan stated he desired to emphasize the fact that we owe Monte Carter quite a bit, as he did come through with valuable information.

Mr. Nathan stated that the question had been raised as to who was going to pay for the three extra guards, working in eight hour shifts, who are watching Doc Barker, and that he had stated that, if no one else would pay for it, we would. Mr. Nathan stated that during the Urschel trial there were a number of extra guards, and at that time the Marshal was authorized to employ a number of special Deputy Marshals, paying them out of his fund, and Mr. Nathan stated he believed the Department should authorize the Marshal at St. Paul to employ three extra Deputy Marshals for the purpose of watching Doc Barker, and the Marshal can then employ the three men the Sheriff has already picked out. Mr. Nathan stated the Marshal is a fine fellow, but that no one can get along with the Chief Deputy Marshal.

Mr. Nathan stated that Barker's bond had been set at \$100,000 yesterday, and that a subpoena had been telegraphically forwarded to the Coroner at Ocala, Florida, with regard to the money and the automobile. I advised that Alt has \$10,000 of this money. Mr. Nathan stated that he is to get a decision this morning as to who they are going to indict, and he will let me know as soon as he does, and that there was still a considerable feeling that it was unnecessary and illegal.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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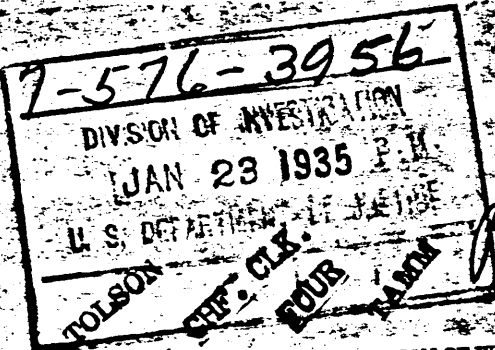
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Mr. Nathan ✓  
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Mr. Baughman ✓  
Chief Clerk ✓  
Mr. Coffey ✓  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935.

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 11:08 AM

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
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Agent Heffler telephoned and advised that information had been received that Harry Campbell was probably fatally wounded and that Karpis might attempt to contact a hospital in one of the larger cities.

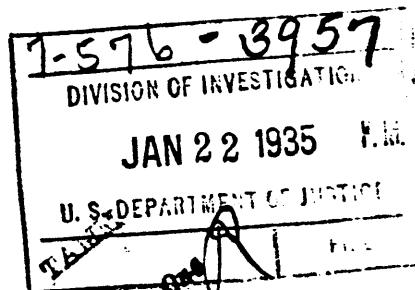
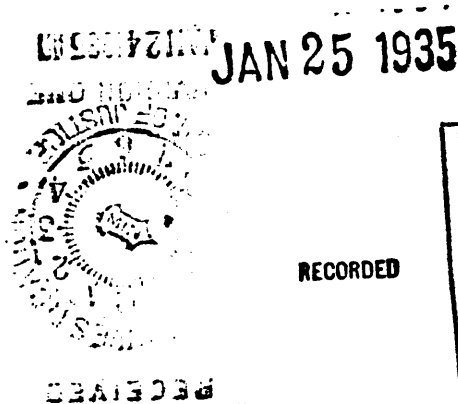
I instructed Mr. Heffler to send out a squad of men to contact the Philadelphia and Camden, New Jersey hospitals in an effort to see if Campbell had gone to one of them for treatment and to contact the New York City office and supply the above information to them and have them check the New York hospitals.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

3:30 P.M.

Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

EAT:CSH

While talking with Mr. Ladd he advised, in connection with the Bremer case, that he is going to release the women tonight, but that he will call the police first and have them come up and talk with Clara Gibson in the presence of her attorney. I advised this would be all right.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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EAT:CDW

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Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935

Time - 1:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Kidnaping

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman..  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

I telephoned Mr. Nathan at St. Paul, and he stated that the indictments would be finished sometime this afternoon; that, however, he doubts that the indictments will be returned tomorrow; that they have some little delay on account of the Judges out there; one of them has been out of town, and another is going to take his place.

I informed Mr. Nathan that in the event any inquiries are received from the press relative to the Bremer hideout, he should casually inform the inquiring parties that we had found it, but not to remember when the hideout was found. Mr. Nathan stated that it was his opinion that the fact that we have found the hideout should be formally announced from Chicago. His reason for this opinion is that the newspaper men in Chicago are not so favorably inclined toward the Division, and he believes that if the story is formally released there, it would tend to put them in a better frame of mind. I reminded Mr. Nathan of the instructions to the effect that all publicity is to emanate from the Department. Mr. Nathan stated that this being Sunday, the story could be given out, and the Department could be informed that due to the circumstances it was imperative that the story be broken immediately.

I told him that you had indicated that those three women in Chicago should be released tomorrow night; that the impression should be given to them that we are doing them a favor in turning them loose, and an attempt should be made to make informants out of them before they are released. With reference to Clara Gibson, Mr. Nathan stated that it was his opinion that her lawyer and the police should be notified before she is released, thus leaving us clear of any criticism from either parties.

Respectfully,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935

Time 6:30 PM

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
Mr. Lester.....  
Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Bremer

I talked to Agent Heffler in Philadelphia and he stated that the Agents have left with the two women for Philadelphia; that the doctor in Atlantic City is insistent that Dolores Delaney should be in a hospital. I stated that I had just talked to Mr. Harvey a few minutes ago and Mr. Harvey advised that he thought he could arrange to get a private ward in the prison. Mr. Heffler stated that he had just talked to the prison officials and they will not permit them to bring the woman there because they do not think it is right to have a child born in the prison. I advised Mr. Heffler that we would issue a complaint against her in the morning and then she would be a Federal prisoner. I advised Mr. Heffler to get in touch with Mr. Harvey and if it became necessary to get a private room in a hospital and a nurse, to go ahead and do it.

Respectfully,

*E. A. Tamm*

E. A. Tamm.

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U. S. Department of Justice  
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Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 8:00 PM

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Philadelphia and advised that in going over the personal belongings of Delores Delaney, they had found two keys to a safety deposit box together with a contract for the rental of a safety deposit box, number 344, rented from the Havana, Cuba, branch of the National City Bank of New York, on September 22, 1934, in the name of E.N. Wagner. Mr. Connelley stated that it is entirely possible that the rest, or a portion, of the Bremer money is in that box, and that he believes that an effort should be made through the U.S. Attorney at Miami and the Ambassador to Cuba, to either get into the box, or tie it up so that no one else can get into it. It would probably not be wise to try to get into the box by merely taking the keys down and posing as the owner, because the contract states that the box can only be opened by the individual signing the contract in the presence of the bank official who signed the contract also. I instructed Mr. Connelley to telephone Mr. Alt at Jacksonville and have him get in touch with the U.S. Attorney and that I would have the Cuban section of the State Department here in Washington contacted the first thing in the morning, and have them cable the ambassador to Cuba to cooperate fully and to do everything he could. I also instructed Mr. Connelley to forward the keys by registered airmail to Mr. Hanson, at the Alcazar Hotel at Miami, Florida, in order that they might be available there.

Mr. Connelley requested authority to keep three of the agents from the New York office for tonight in order to cover some contacts in the Philadelphia district as well as to keep guard of the women as the Philadelphia office did not have enough available to adequately cover the situation. I advised Mr. Connelley that it would be alright to keep the men there tonight.

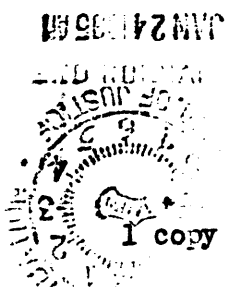
Mr. Connelley further advised that it was difficult to obtain much information from the Delaney woman due to her condition; that the Burdette woman was giving some information which tied in to a degree with the information already in possession of the Division.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

January 21st, 1935

Director  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. #1213  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232,  
ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING  
Chicago File #7-82

I am transmitting herewith copies of the photographs of  
Elmer Farmer and Harold Allderton, both of which Subjects  
have now been removed to St. Paul in connection with this  
case.

Very truly yours,

*M. H. Purvis*  
M. H. PURVIS *enc.*  
Special Agent in Charge

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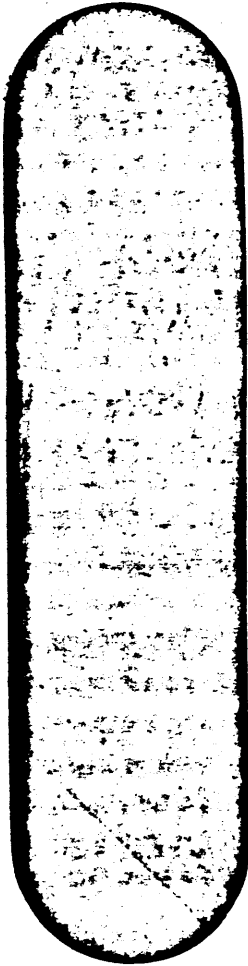
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Harold Allderton





Elmer Farmer

Elmer Farmer

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

11:00 A.M.

January 18, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
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Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Nathan called from St. Paul and I advised #5 should be turned over to the Marshal. In connection with inquiries from the newspapers, I advised Mr. Nathan after consulting you that they should be advised the case is in the hands of the United States Attorney. I advised I had talked with Coulter this morning and that there is \$14,000 in Ocala taken from Fred and Kate Barker, which money the State authorities are very anxious to have. I advised I had told Mr. Coulter to have an order issued, impounding the money and the automobile, which order could be sent to the Marshal at Ocala in order that he could take the possessions into custody.

Mr. Nathan stated he believed Monte Carter, Farmer and Alderton should be sent by Monday - to St. Paul. In connection with having Bremer view the hide-out, Mr. Nathan stated he believed this should be done. I advised Agent Brennan should go down with him. Mr. Nathan stated he believed one Agent should be stationed at the hide-out - for publicity purposes. I advised it should be suggested to Ladd.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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January 22, 1935

EAT:CSH

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:05 A.M.

I called Mr. Waters at Pittsburgh in connection with the Bremer case, advising that we had received a wire from Oklahoma suggesting that we check Art Burdette, brother of Winona Burdette, at Erie, Pennsylvania, to see if Campbell and Karpis might have contacted him. He stated he would send Rubinstein up there right away to check on this.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935

Time-6:50A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
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Mr. Edwards.....  
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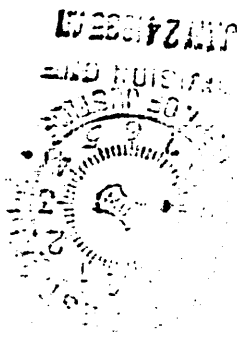
Mr. Alt called me this morning and stated that as a result of the broadcast by the Jacksonville Police Department for Alvin Karpis and Delores Delaney, they have just received the following telegram from James McMenamin, Chief of Police, Atlantic City, New Jersey, "Have located Buick sedan, Florida tags D-5306 covering to apprehend occupants. Wire details and charges. Will advise when apprehended."

Mr. Alt stated that he would contact Mr. Hanson and advise him of the above in order that he may change any plans contemplated. I advised Mr. Alt that I would contact the Philadelphia Office.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

9:25 A.M.

January 18, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
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Mr. Tracy.....

Mr. Connelley called from Ocala, Florida and stated two United States Attorneys from Jacksonville were there, but were not much good to him that they "don't know what it's all about", and suggested that arrangements be made to have the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Sullivan, issue an order, impounding the money and automobile found in the possession of Ma and Fred Barker, as evidence in the case; that the United States Attorney or the Attorney General call the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, and advise him of the substance of the order, in order that an order may be issued there authorizing the Marshal to take custody of the articles. Mr. Connelley stated that if the money isn't claimed it goes to the County; that the County "has the money already spent which they think they will get". The order will include \$4000 taken from Fred Barker's body and \$10000 taken from Kate Barker's body - the exact numbers being - \$4073 from Fred and \$10219 from Kate, and a 1934 Buick coupe.

Mr. Connelley stated he was taking a commercial photographer to the house within the next 30 minutes to take pictures of the outside of the house and the rooms; that if possible he will forward the pictures tonight.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:25 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
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I called Mr. Coulter in connection with the Bremer case and advised that, in order to save as much man power as possible, it was believed advisable to take steps to turn Doc Barker over to the Marshal, and requested that he make arrangements with the United States Attorney to have the warrant served on the old indictment and have him arraigned. Mr. Coulter stated this would be done right away. I stated that his bond should be made as high as possible, \$100,000 at least.

I advised Coulter that \$14,292 had been recovered from the bodies of Ma and Fred Barker and that under the Florida State Laws the Coroner confiscates this money, and that we desired the United States Attorney there to issue a writ or some order this morning impounding that money, which consists of \$4,073 and \$10,219 taken from the bodies of Fred and Ma Barker, respectively. In addition, they had in their possession a Buick 1934 coupe. I requested that the auto also be included in this order. Mr. Coulter asked the reason for this, so that he could tell the United States Attorney, in the event he inquires. I advised that this undoubtedly was procured through ransom money and the car was purchased with ransom money. I requested that he let me know when this order had been issued.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

3:50 P.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
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Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
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Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

While talking with Mr. Whitley, he advised in connection with the Bremer case that he had just heard a rumor, through a newspaper there, that they have found Karpis' car in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and that he is trying to check on this through the police out there. I requested that he try to do this as quickly as possible.

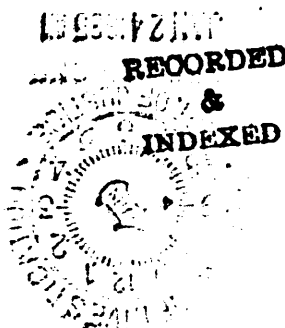
Whitley further advised that Connelley is at Philadelphia now and is out interviewing the girls.

Whitley stated he had just received a call from Alt at Jacksonville, who advised that Brown is over at Havana and thinks he has found the source of the exchange of the Bremer kidnap money and that it probably cleared through the Cuban treasury. Whitley advised they had found a contract in the luggage of Delores Delaney, written in Spanish, with the National City Bank of New York; that it is rather a lengthy document, and that he, Whitley, had judged from a casual examination that it applied to a rental of some kind; that he is having it translated as fast as possible and that this may have some connection with the exchange business.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Mr. Nathan at St. Paul and advised Mr. Alt had just advised that the Marshal had just come in the office with a subpoena duces tecum to be served on Futch, the coroner in Marion County, Florida, demanding that he produce forthwith in St. Paul the Buick car and the \$14,000. I advised that the Marshal did not know "what it was all about"; that it was my understanding that these possessions could be turned over to a representative of this Division or the United States Marshal. Mr. Nathan stated the reason this was issued from St. Paul is that this was the only order known to them that could be issued; that the United States Attorney at St. Paul was merely doing what he thought we wanted him to do. He states that if the Marshal will take Alt's word for it, he can secure possession of the articles in question.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
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Mr. Coffey .....  
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Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Harvey called relative to the possibility of securing the Buick sedan which belonged to Karpis for the use of the Philadelphia Office. I stated he would have to get a court order to take the car to Philadelphia; that he could take it over there but could not use it until it was given to us, and suggested that he take it up with the United States Attorney at Trenton right away.

I requested advise as to whether the Pontiac sedan in which they escaped had shown up any place, and Mr. Harvey stated no information had been received relative to it. I requested that they cover Randall's brother in Newark, and he stated they are covering this angle.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

9:40 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
Mr. Harbo.....  
Mr. Keith.....  
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Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Whitley called in connection with the Bremer case. He stated they secured a statement last night from Winona Burdette, that she talked rather willingly, and that they took the statement up from the time she rejoined Campbell last November out in Oklahoma; that copies had been sent to the Division by special delivery. He stated they have her out in Seery's apartment. Seery is out of town and they wanted to get her out of the office before the reporters started coming around; that they have two men out there watching her. He stated he had sent Miller out there last night to try to secure a statement from the other girl, but she is not inclined to talk, but they will keep on trying to secure a statement.

I stated a teletype had been received from Fay last night to the effect that Duke Randall is possibly now located in Philadelphia. I requested that they try to locate him, if possible and advised that he is a former orchestra leader and had a band at Atlantic City, is 5'10", weight 165, brown eyes, dark hair, dominant nose, and Jewish. I advised that he had been down in Florida and disappeared from there, and he is the man who sent Karpis and Campbell to the Danmoor Hotel. He stated they would try to get a line on him there and would keep me advised of any developments.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

9:20 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
Mr. Egan.....  
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Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

I called Mr. Hanson in connection with the Bremer case to ascertain whether they had located Duke Randall. He advised that they had not but are making further efforts to locate him this morning. He stated that Connelley had advised him that Randall had been the one who sent Karpis and Campbell to Atlantic City. At that time Hanson told Connelley that Randall was very close to Joe Adams, and that if we got Randall, Adams would know right away, and suggested that it might be advisable to wait until Connelley had talked with the girls and secured more information, and Connelley seemed to agree, but last night when they found that the Associated Press had information about Randall, they went right out and tried to locate him. I requested that they continue their efforts to locate Randall.

Mr. Hanson further advised that he had five men down there from Birmingham, besides himself, and that they had come down in two planes, and that he had kept the planes there thinking that they would possibly be going back soon, and requested advice relative to sending the planes back. Mr. Hanson stated it was costing approximately \$15 a day to keep the planes, and I requested that he keep them for another day or so, unless it is possible to charter planes there, in which event he could let them go back.

Mr. Hanson further stated that the Agents at Havana, Florida had told him they expected to come back last night, but they did not come. He stated while he was out Nichols received a call from Brown and he asked for information on what money Barker had and told Nichols he could not tell him about it over the telephone, so it looks like they have something over there and that is why they stayed over for the day.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 4:00 PM

ms. Agent Heffler telephoned and advised that the Burdette woman had signed a waiver of removal and that the doctors had said that the Delaney woman was capable of being moved and the agents are now at the hospital to see if she will sign a waiver also. If the Delaney woman signs the waiver, a signed statement will be secured from the Doctor to the effect that she is capable of being moved.

Mr. Heffler stated that one Duke Randall, who is supposed to be a close friend of Karpis, sent a letter to the proprietor of a place in Atlantic City from Miami, Florida, and he suggested that someone contact him and vigorously question him as to his knowledge of where Karpis might head for. I instructed Mr. Heffler to telephone Mr. Connelley at Jacksonville and instruct him to do this.

Time 6:35 PM

Agent Heffler telephoned and stated that they had secured a waiver of removal from both of the women and the doctor had certified that the Delaney woman could be moved to Philadelphia, he, the doctor, accompanying her however. The women, together with a heavy guard of agents, left Atlantic City at 5:30 PM. The Burdette woman will be brought to the office, but the doctor thinks it would be advisable to take the Delaney woman to a hospital. Mr. Heffler stated that he had contacted the warden of the County Prison hospital, but that the warden had refused to accept the woman there as he was adverse to having an innocent child born within the prison walls.

I instructed Mr. Heffler to telephone Mr. Harvey and advise him of the above developments, and to try to arrange a place for the Delaney woman to stay, and, if need arises and no other arrangements can be made, it would be alright to hire a private room at a hospital to keep her in, as well as a private nurse to take care of her.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 10:40 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
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Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
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Miss Gandy.....

Agent Heffler of the Philadelphia office telephoned and advised that the agents from the Philadelphia office had just arrived in Atlantic City and conducted a brief survey of the situation. It appears that during the course of the gun battle, Delores Delaney was shot in the leg; that she is at present in the Atlantic City hospital, her child not having been born, as yet. The Burdett woman is in the Atlantic City jail at present. The police believe that Campbell was shot during the battle and is possibly fatally wounded and they advised that there were only two individuals, Karpis and Campbell, concerned in the shooting. These subjects had registered at the Hotel Danmore, 123 South Kentucky Ave., under the names of Camerson and Karson.

The agents are at present occupied in searching the baggage, hotel room and the car; and have found a gun in the latter. I instructed Mr. Heffler to be certain that the women are closely guarded; that the hotel room and baggage are carefully searched to see if they contain any of the Bremer ransom money. I advised Mr. Heffler that Agent Fierstone was on his way with a squad of agents from the New York City office and when he arrives he should take charge of the situation at Atlantic City; that the Burdett woman should be taken into the New York office at the earliest possible moment and that precautions should be taken to see that the car is properly guarded.

Respectfully,

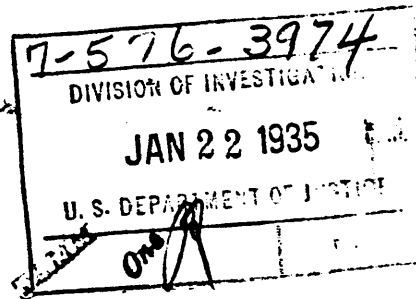
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OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA

BREKID IMMEDIATELY FURNISH DIVISION PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH SUBJECTS

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Mr. Quinn.....  
Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Time - 5:30 pm

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned Mr. Hanson in Florida and informed him that since the capture of the two women at Atlantic City, the necessity for further checking of maternity hospitals in that section of the country is unnecessary. Mr. Hanson stated that he has already had investigations along this line stopped.

Mr. Hanson stated that he has six men with him down there, three of whom are in Cuba. He stated that he expects two of the men back from Cuba today, and the other will return possibly tomorrow. He stated that their action in Cuba is centered on developing information relative to Willie Harrison and possibly ~~Mr. Hanson~~ *Mr. Hanson*.

Mr. Hanson stated that he had talked with Mr. Connelley about the situation down there, and Mr. Connelley told him to proceed rather cautiously at this time; that he is questioning the maid in the house to ascertain just how many and who of the gang visited this house. He stated that they are also following other leads on the beaches and saloons in order to develop further information.

Respectfully,

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EAT:CSH

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:30 A.M.

Mr. Nathan .....  
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Mr. Ladd called in connection with the Bremer case. He stated that they had gotten a statement from Allerton, who advised that in the latter part of December Fred Goetz and Elmer Farmer approached him and asked him if he would like to "plant" a couple of boys in his place for a few days and he agreed to, thinking they were going to hide somebody out, and that about the middle of January they came up one night in a Buick and said they were there to take the place; that Allerton went up to the garage to open it and they went on in the house; that he later came back to the house, but claims he did not know until the following morning that it was Bremer they had in there. He identifies Doc Barker, Alvin Karpis, Fred Goetz, Fred Barker, a partial identification on William Weaver and Harry Campbell. He advised that at least on one occasion Monte Carter came into the place. He advised that Bremer was injured on the head and he bought gauze for them on different occasions to bandage his head. He also bought groceries for them. He said they joked about Bremer thinking he was in a basement, Bremer having made that remark when they took him out of the car and he stepped over the curb and down a couple of concrete blocks. They talked very loudly during the time they held Bremer, but Allerton does not remember the exact conversations, but they were of a nature which would intimidate him. They brought two machine guns there and the men carried automatic revolvers. He says that the gas cans found on the road were gotten by him from Elmer Farmer and they were alcohol cans and that he, himself, purchased gas and Karpis put the gas cans in the Buick when they left the place with Bremer. These cans were shown to him and he identifies them as the same general kind. When they left they gave him \$100 and said they would send him more later, and at a later date Farmer gave him \$380, saying that they had left \$400 for him, but he had taken \$20 out which Allerton owed Farmer. In March, Farmer gave him another \$500 and told him that was the balance of the money coming to him. Mr. Ladd stated that the above is the substance of his statement and that they have a waiver from him.

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Mr. Ladd pointed out that he had not implicated Volney Davis at all. Mr. Ladd stated he had just received a call from Mr. Nathan at St. Paul and that Bremer will be there any minute now. Ladd stated he is going out to the hide-out with Bremer.

I stated that I thought Farmer, Carter and Allerton should be taken to St. Paul tomorrow night, and he agreed with me on this. I told him to hold the women a few days more until Connelley had finished in Florida.

Mr. Ladd stated he would call the Division as soon as he returned from the hide-out with Bremer.

I asked Ladd why he had not advised the Division that Allerton had made a statement before St. Paul advised us. He stated that the statement was secured at about 2 o'clock in the morning, and that he was going to call as soon as he got to the office. Ladd stated that he came in the office to call the Division this morning and Mr. Nathan was on the wire and he talked with him, and as soon as he hung up he put in a call for Washington.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

IN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 18, 1935

Time - 8:50 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
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Mr. Alt telephoned from the Jacksonville Office and stated that this morning Sheriff Ramsey at Gainesville, Florida told him that the Sheriff had a matter that might merit consideration by the Division. A Negro by the name of Alec Trapp was making inquiry at Gainesville at a hardware store for 100 rounds of 30.30 ammunition, and told the Sheriff that some man from Marion county had sent him into Gainesville to see if he could get this ammunition; that this man agreed to pay cash for it, and told the Negro that he would pay him \$100 for his services. Mr. Alt immediately upon the receipt of this information, got in touch with Mr. Connelley, but Mr. Connelley was already in possession of the information.

Mr. Connelley interviewed Alec Trapp, who stated that he met a man and a woman yesterday in a Chrysler Roadster, 1933 model, blue-black in color. The man is described as follows: Age - 32-33; weight - 175 pounds; height - 5 feet 11 inches; hair - brown. The woman is: Age - 29-30; weight - 135 pounds, height - about 5 feet; hair - blond, bobbed, very curly. They met this Negro at the P. and J. Railroad tracks in Gainesville and asked him if he was working. When the Negro replied in the negative, they told him that they would give him something to do. The plans were completed, and it was arranged that the Negro should meet the parties at 6:30 P.M. Mr. Connelley made a plant at the designated spot, but the parties failed to show up. Mr. Connelley questioned the Negro further, and believes that there is nothing to his story, it being first told that he was getting the ammunition for some Negroes in Georgia; however, Mr. Connelley believes it should be followed up, and is taking steps in that direction.

Mr. Connelley requested Mr. Alt to transmit the above information to the Division so that the Division might be advised in the premises.

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- Miss Gandy.....

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DIRECTOR

NEWSPAPERS CARRY REPORT OF BULLET RIDDLED CAR FOUND STPAUL TODAY  
ARREST MADE APPARENTLY NO CONNECTION BREKID FINGERPRINTS HARRY  
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P.O. Box 815, St. Paul, Minn.

January 23, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
P.O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1220;  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNA-ING.  
St. Paul File No. 7-55

On January 22, 1935, a Mr. J. H. KUEKEN, who resides at 3524 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, telephone, Regent 1725, called at the St. Paul Division Office. Mr. Kueken claims that he was with "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN when the latter was arrested in Chicago. He states that this took place in the basement of BOLAND AND FRAZIER'S RESTAURANT, near State and Lake Streets in Chicago. His reason for being at this point, at that time, was that he was negotiating a sale of approximately 150 slot machines to McLAUGHLIN and had been so engaged for about ten days prior to the arrest. He is not certain as to the exact date of the arrest but his nearest recollection was that it occurred during August, 1933, and he states that he had about six meetings with McLAUGHLIN prior thereto. He states that McLAUGHLIN had an assistant whom he knew by the name of "MACK", who, Mr. Kueken believes, was engaged in exchanging "hot" money. Mr. Kueken has no evidence that this "MACK" was so engaged but was led to this belief from seeing "MACK" on five or six occasions meet with "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN in the bar room and gambling room under the bowling alley in FRAZIER'S RESTAURANT and on each occasion Kueken claims McLAUGHLIN would take "MACK" into the men's washroom, or behind the bar, where they would talk together privately for fifteen or twenty minutes, after which, "MACK" usually would leave McLAUGHLIN hurriedly with a black brief case in his (MACK'S) hand.

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Kueken states that he was at this "MACK'S" home four or five times and that it was in the vicinity of 25th and Clark Street in an apartment; however, he cannot give the address although he claims he would be able to take anyone to this place. He says he met "MACK" and McLAUGHLIN together and that "MACK" was apparently handling slot machines for McLAUGHLIN, who was a "finer" of the Chicago Police to let slot machines run in the Chicago Loop.

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Knoken describes "MACK" as being about 200 pounds or more in weight, white, evidently a native of the United States, about 5'10" in height, 35 to 40 years of age, of heavy build, having dark brown hair, blue eyes, being a good talker, sloppy dresser, and claimed to have been a former Federal convict.

At the time Mr. Knoken was in the St. Paul Division Office, Special Agent McIntire of the Chicago Division Office was present and stated that McLAUGHLIN was arrested at his home rather than at the State and Lake Street Restaurant; that the arrest took place in April, 1934, rather than in August, 1933; and that, therefore, there probably was no connection between the BREMER case and whatever information Mr. Knoken may have.

The above is being forwarded to you merely to keep you fully advised as to all developments in this territory.

Very truly yours,

D.M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 19, 1935.

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 2:00 PM

Mr. Nathan.....  
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Mr. Ladd telephoned and stated that he was keeping one agent at the hideout and inquired as to how long an agent should be kept there. I stated that one agent should be kept there for several days because of the fact that when the indictment is returned there will be quite a bit of publicity and that, of course, the newspaper photographers will swarm out there and it will be necessary to have a man there to handle the matter; that the agent stationed there should identify himself as an agent of the Division but should not pose for any photographs or give out any statements.

Mr. Ladd advised that he had pictures of the exterior of the hideout taken today and that he would have these forwarded to the Division. Pictures of the interior were forwarded yesterday to the Division according to Mr. Ladd together with a photostatic plan of the rooms.

I stated that I would submit for your consideration the advisability of having the newspapers photograph the interior of the rooms.

As to the publicity, Mr. Ladd stated that so far there had been none although it was possible that some might emanate from some of the neighbors who saw them go into the hideout today with Bremer, but that the occupants of the first floor of the house do not know anything about the matter. The second floor occupants have promised to remain silent, they having learned the purpose of the visits, in some manner or other.

I stated that I would submit also for your consideration the advisability of a simultaneous release of the information regarding the case when the release is given out here in Washington; that is to have the information released by Mr. Ladd at Chicago at the same time it is given out here.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: St. Paul file No. 7-30.

There are attached hereto copy of the two  
indictments returned by the Grand Jury on January 22,  
1935, in the case of the United States versus ALVIN  
KARPIS, with aliases, et al. This includes both the  
substantive and the conspiracy charges.

Very truly yours,



H. NATHAN,  
Assistant Director.

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Cc E.J. Connelley, Chicago. (Enc.)

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

THIRD DIVISION

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At and during a stated term of the District Court of the United States for the District of Minnesota, held at the City of Saint Paul, within and for the District and Division aforesaid, beginning on the first Tuesday in November, A.D. 1934 and thereafter continuing to and until the first Tuesday in April, A.D. 1935, by a duly empaneled, charged and sworn Grand Jury of the United States within and for the District and Division aforesaid, it is presented in manner and form following, that is to say:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA ) ss.  
THIRD DIVISION )

The Grand Jurors of the United States of America within and for above District and Division, in the name and by the authority of the said United States of America, upon their oaths present that heretofore, to-wit: Between December 1, A.D. 1933, or thereabouts, and May 1, A. D. 1934, or thereabouts, the Grand Jurors being unable to fix the period of time more definitely, at the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, in the State and District of Minnesota, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, and elsewhere in said State and District of Minnesota at places therein unknown to the Grand Jurors, and at the town or city of Bensenville, in the County of DuPage, in the State of Illinois, in the Northern District of Illinois, and elsewhere in said State and Northern District of Illinois at places therein unknown to the Grand Jurors, and at various and divers places unknown to the Grand Jurors other than those mentioned heretofore, located in States other than the respective States of Minnesota and Illinois -

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One Alvin Karpavicz, alias Alvin Karpis, and

One Arthur H. Barker, alias "Doc" Barker, and

One Volney Davis, alias "Curley", alias "Cotton", and

One Harry Campbell, alias George Winfield, alias "Dave", and

One Elmer Farmer, and

One Harold Alderton, alias Harold Allerton, and

One William Weaver, alias "Bill" Scott, alias Phoenix Donald, alias Charles W. Lucas, and

One Harry Sawyer, alias Harry Sandlovich, and

One William J. Harrison, alias "Willie", alias Elmer Howe, and

One Oliver A. Berg, alias Ollie Berg, Alias "Izzy", alias "Jones" and

One Joseph Patrick Moran, alias Doctor Joseph P. Moran, and

One John Joseph McLaughlin, Senior, alias "Boss" McLaughlin, and

One William Edward Vidler, alias "Williams", and

One Philip J. Delaney, and

One "Whitie", whose true name is unknown to the Grand Jurors, whose approximate personal description is as follows: 25 or 26 years of age; looks young; height five feet ten inches; weight 170 or 180 lbs.; slender build; light blonde with abundant wavy hair; blue eyes; even teeth; Lithuanian extraction, and

One Byron Bolton, alias Bryon Bolton, alias Owen D. Carter, alias Owen Bernard Carter, alias Monty Carter, and

One James J. Wilson, alias "Jimmy" Wilson, alias James Jackson, alias Doctor Jim Wilson, alias E. J. Powell, and

One Jess Doyle, and

One Edna Murray, alias "Rabbit", and

One Myrtle Eaton, alias "Mert", and

One John Doe, whose true name is unknown to the Grand Jurors, whose approximate personal description is as follows: 30-35 years of age; height five feet eight or nine inches; weight 175 lbs; dark brown hair; large eyes; round face; sturdy build, and

One Richard Roe, whose true name is unknown to the Grand Jurors, whose approximate personal description is as follows: 30 years of age; height five feet six or seven inches; weight 135-140 lbs.; dark brown hair; thin face; slender build

then and there being all of the foregoing persons being defendants herein and hereinafter being referred to individually and/or collectively as "defendants", unlawfully did conspire, combine, confederate and agree together and with each other and with various and divers other persons then and there being whose names and personal descriptions are unknown to the Grand Jurors and with the following late decedents, namely -

One Kate Barker, alias "Ma" Barker, and

One Fred Barker, alias "Shorty" Barker, and

One Russell Gibson, alias Roy Gray Evans, alias "Slim", alias "Smith", and

One George Zeigler, alias Fred C. Goetz.

all four of whom were living beings during the period of time herebefore alleged, and all four of whom during said period of time unlawfully did associate, combine, confederate and agree with the defendants aforesaid in the felonious conspiracy herein alleged and described -

to commit an offense against the United States, that is to say, that at the place aforesaid during the period of time aforesaid, defendants aforesaid and the other persons unknown as aforesaid and the late decedents aforesaid unlawfully did conspire, combine, confederate and agree together and with each other to violate the provisions of that certain Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, "forbidding the transportation of any person in interstate or foreign commerce, kidnaped, or otherwise unlawfully detained" (Chap. 271, 47 Stat. 326; 18 U. S. C. 408a), in this, to-wit: That defendants aforesaid and the other persons unknown as aforesaid and the late decedents aforesaid, all of whom hereinafter are referred to as "THEY", unlawfully did combine, conspire, confederate and agree together and with each other-

That at the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, in the State and District aforesaid, they unlawfully would intercept, seize, kidnap, abduct and confine in their custody that certain person, namely, one Edward George Bremer, then and there being, hereinafter referred to as "their victim";

That prior to intercepting, seizing, kidnaping, abducting and confining their victim unlawfully in their custody as aforesaid, they would select and arrange for

a "hideout" or safe retreat outside of the State and District of Minnesota, which they would retire after intercepting, seizing, kidnaping and abducting victim unlawfully as aforesaid, and at which they would conceal and continue to confine and hold their victim clandestinely pending payment and delivery of ransom moneys to them:

That in effecting the unlawful seizure, detention and confinement of their victim as aforesaid, they would have several automobiles under their control at and in the vicinity of the place in the City of Saint Paul aforesaid where their victim unlawfully was to be intercepted, seized and kidnaped as aforesaid, and that after having unlawfully intercepted, seized and kidnaped their victim as aforesaid, they would blindfold, conceal, detain and confine their victim temporarily, for the purpose of his abduction and interstate transportation, in one of said automobiles so under their control as aforesaid:

That after so blindfolding, concealing, detaining and confining their victim in said automobile as aforesaid, they knowingly and unlawfully would abduct, carry away and transport their victim in interstate commerce, to-wit: from the place of the interception, seizure and kidnaping of their victim in the City of Saint Paul aforesaid, in the County, State and District aforesaid, by a route to be selected by them (said route being unknown to the Grand Jurors) to and into the State of Illinois and to a point or place in the State of Illinois known as and called Bensenville, in the County of DuPage, in said State of Illinois, where a "hideout" or safe retreat had been selected and arranged as aforesaid, at which to further confine and detain their victim secretly and unlawfully for ransom:

That after having intercepted, seized, kidnaped, detained, transported and confined their victim as aforesaid, they would hold their victim for and demand ransom in the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) for his safe release from their unlawful confinement and custody:

That after they had intercepted, seized, kidnaped, confined and concealed

their victim as aforesaid, they would communicate by means of notes and letters with certain friends and relatives of their victim and more particularly with one Walter Magee, addressed as Chas. Magee, and with one Adolph Bremer, the father of their victim, and by such means and in such manner advise such friends and relatives of the seizure and kidnaping of their victim, convey instructions with reference to and arrange for the payment and delivery of the ransom moneys in consideration of which their victim would be released from their confinement and custody and allowed to return to his home and family:

That they would not release their victim from their confinement and custody until such time as the ransom moneys, to be demanded by them as aforesaid, actually had been paid and delivered to them in the manner, by the means and under the conditions to be prescribed by them:

That after having collected the ransom moneys aforesaid in consideration of the release of their victim, they would blindfold and return their victim secretly by automobile to the State of Minnesota from their "hideout" or retreat aforesaid in the State of Illinois, to the end that it thus would be made to appear that their victim had not been transported in interstate commerce and that United States law enforcement officials would be frustrated and circumvented in the apprehension and prosecution of defendants and other persons associated with them as aforesaid:

That after having collected the ransom moneys aforesaid and in order to avoid discovery, apprehension and arrest in connection therewith, they would convert said ransom moneys at the City of Chicago, in the State of Illinois, and at other places unknown to the Grand Jurors, into, and change, exchange and dispose of the same for, other moneys, currency, obligations and securities which they would be able to negotiate and pass readily and with safety to themselves in the regular and ordinary channels of trade, commerce and business,

and that to accomplish the conversion, disposition and exchange of the ransom moneys as aforesaid, they would aid, abet, assist and counsel one another in that connection and to that end.

And to effect the object of the unlawful conspiracy aforesaid, the defendants and other persons hereinbefore and hereinafter named and mentioned did and performed the following overt acts toward carrying out said unlawful conspiracy:

OVERT ACT NUMBER ONE

That a short time prior to Christmas in the year A. D. 1933, the exact date being unknown to the Grand Jurors, at Bensenville, in the County of Du Page, in the State of Illinois, defendant Elmer Farmer, and one Fred Barker, alias "Shorty", and one George Zeigler, alias Fred C. Goetz, both of the latter being referred to hereinbefore as late decedents, conferred together relative to the selection of an arrangement for a "hideout" or safe retreat to which Edward George Bremer, hereinbefore referred to as victim, might be transported and there concealed, detained and held for ransom.

OVERT ACT NUMBER TWO

That on the seventeenth day of January, A. D. 1934, at the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, in the State and District of Minnesota, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, defendant Alvin Karpavicz, alias Alvin Karpis, and defendant Harry Campbell, alias George Winfield, alias "Dave", together with a person who is unknown to the Grand Jurors, did go to a point at or near the intersection of Goodrich and Lexington Avenues, in the City of Saint Paul aforesaid, in the County, State and District aforesaid, and await the appearance at said place of the said Edward George Bremer, victim as aforesaid.

OVERT ACT NUMBER THREE

That at the time and place mentioned in Overt Act Number Two, to which reference hereby is made, in the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey,

in the State and District of Minnesota, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, the defendants above named in said Overt Act Number Two, to which reference hereby is made, did intercept, seize, blindfold and confine in their custody the said Edward George Bremer, victim as aforesaid, said defendants then and there also seizing said victim's automobile.

OVERT ACT NUMBER FOUR

That on the day and from the place, to-wit: the intersection of Goodrich and Lexington Avenues, mentioned in Overt Act Number Two, to which reference hereby is made, in the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, in the State and District of Minnesota, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, the defendants named in said Overt Act Number Two, after having intercepted, seized and blindfolded the said Edward George Bremer, the victim aforesaid, did transport him in his automobile to a point near Number 1910 Edgcombe Road, in the City of Saint Paul, in the County, State and District aforesaid.

OVERT ACT NUMBER FIVE

That on the day mentioned in Overt Act Number Two, to which reference hereby is made, at or near Number 1910 Edgcombe Road, in the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, in the State and District of Minnesota, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, the defendants named in said Overt Act Number Two, and divers other persons unknown to the Grand Jurors, did transfer forcibly the said Edward George Bremer, victim as aforesaid, from his automobile to another automobile then and there under the control of defendants and the other unknown persons mentioned, a more particular description of said latter automobile being unknown to the Grand Jurors.

OVERT ACT NUMBER SIX

That on January 17, A. D. 1934, the defendants named in said Overt Act Number Two, to which reference hereby is made, and several other persons unknown to the Grand Jurors, knowingly and unlawfully did transport the said Edward George Bremer,

the victim aforesaid, in interstate commerce, to-wit: from a point at or near Number 1910 Edgecombe Road, in the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, in the State and District of Minnesota, by and in an automobile under their control, to the town or city of Bensenville, in the County of DuPage, in the State of Illinois.

OVERT ACT NUMBER SEVEN

That on January 17, A. D. 1934, at the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, in the State and District of Minnesota, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, the defendants named in Overt Act Number Two, to which reference hereby is made, and several other persons unknown to the Grand Jurors, did cause and compel the said Edward George Bremer, the victim aforesaid, to sign a certain note or letter addressed to one Walter Magee as Chas. Magee, containing directions and instructions relating to proposed negotiations between defendants and the contributors of ransom moneys and regarding the payment of ransom in the sum of \$200,000.00 therein demanded by defendants for the release of their victim aforesaid.

OVERT ACT NUMBER EIGHT

That from January, 17, A.D. 1934. to February 7, A. D. 1934, at Bensenville, in the County of DuPage, in the State of Illinois, defendant Arthur R. Barker, alias "Doc" Barker, and defendant Harry Campbell, alias George Winfield, alias "Dave", and defendant Harold Alderton, alias Harold Allerton, and defendant Alvin Karpavicz, alias Alvin Karpis, and defendants John Doe and Richard Roe, whose true names are unknown to the Grand Jurors, but whose approximate personal descriptions are above set forth in the body of this indictment, to which descriptions reference hereby is made, and one Fred Barker, alias "Shorty", and one George Zeigler, alias Fred C. Goetz, both of the latter being referred to hereinbefore as late decedents, did conceal, detain and hold the said Edward George Bremer, the victim aforesaid, for ransom.



OVERT ACT NUMBER NINE.

That on or about January 27th, A. D. 1934, at the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, in the State and District of Minnesota, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, defendant Alvin Karpavicz, alias Alvin Karpis, did purchase and procure a number of flashlights and accessories therefor.

OVERT ACT NUMBER TEN.

That on or about February sixth, A. D. 1934, at a point approximately five miles beyond Zumbrota, in the County of Goodhue, in the State and District of Minnesota, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, defendant Alvin Karpavicz, alias Alvin Karpis, did place a number of flashlights at the side of a gravelled road to designate the approximate point at which the ransom moneys, demanded by defendants as aforesaid for the release of the said Edward George Bremer, the victim aforesaid, should be delivered.

Contrary to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the Peace and Dignity of the United States.

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GEORGE F. SULLIVAN.  
United States Attorney for the  
District of Minnesota.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

THIRD DIVISION

At and during a stated term of the District Court of the United States for the District of Minnesota, held at the City of Saint Paul, within and for the District and Division aforesaid, beginning on the first Tuesday in November, A. D. 1934 and thereafter continuing to and until the first Tuesday in April, A. D. 1935, by a duly empaneled, charged and sworn Grand Jury of the United States within and for the District and Division aforesaid, it is presented in the manner and form following, that is to say:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA }  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA } ss.  
THIRD DIVISION }

The Grand Jurors of the United States of America within and for said District and Division in the name and by the authority of the said United States of America, upon their oaths present: That heretofore, to-wit: On the seventeenth day of January, A. D. 1934 -  
One ALVIN KARPAVICZ, alias Alvin Karpis, and  
One ARTHUR R. BARKER, alias "Doc" Barker, and  
One VOLNEY DAVIS, alias "Curley", alias "Cotton", and  
One HARRY CAMPBELL, alias George Winfield, alias "Dave", and  
One ELMER FARMER, and  
One HAROLD ALBERTON, alias Harold Allerton, and  
One WILLIAM WEAVER, alias "Bill" Scott, alias Phoenix Donald, alias Charles W. Lucas, and  
One HARRY SAWYER, alias Harry Sandlovich, and  
One WILLIAM J. HARRISON, alias "Willie", alias Elmer Howe, and  
One BYRON BOLTON, alias Bryon Bolton, alias Owen D. Carter, alias Owen Bernard Carter, alias Monty Carter, and

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One JOHN DOE, whose true name is unknown to the Grand Jurors, whose approximate personal description is as follows: 30 - 35 years of age; height five feet nine inches; weight 175 lbs.; dark brown hair; large eyes; round face; sturdy build, and

One RICHARD ROE, whose true name is unknown to the Grand Jurors, whose approximate personal description is as follows: 30 years of age; height five feet six or seven inches; weight 135 - 140 lbs.; dark brown hair; thin face; slender build;

then and there being, hereinafter referred as "defendants", together with the following late decedents, namely, one Fred Barker, alias "Shorty Barker" and one George Zeigler, alias Fred C. Goetz, who were living beings at the time mentioned herein, then and there knowingly, unlawfully, and in violation of the Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932 (Chap. 271, 47 Stat. 526, 18 U. S. C. 408a) "forbidding the transportation of any person in interstate or foreign commerce, kidnaped, or otherwise unlawfully detained", did transport and cause to be transported by automobile (a more particular description of said automobile being unknown to the Grand Jurors) in interstate commerce, to-wit: from the City of Saint Paul, in the County of Ramsey, in the State and District of Minnesota, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, to and into the State of Illinois, to a point in said State of Illinois known as and called Bensenville, in the County of Du Page, in the State of Illinois aforesaid, (the route taken by defendants aforesaid in effecting the interstate transportation aforesaid being unknown to the Grand Jurors) that certain person, then and there being, namely, one Edward George Bremer, a resident of the City of Saint Paul aforesaid, hereinafter referred to as "victim", said victim upon the date aforesaid, in the City of Saint Paul aforesaid, in the County, State and District aforesaid, and shortly prior to the commencement of the interstate transportation aforesaid, having been seized and kidnaped forcibly and unlawfully at or near the intersection of Goodrich and Lexington Avenues in the City of Saint Paul aforesaid, in the County, State and District aforesaid, said victim thereafter having been blindfolded and unlawfully confined, concealed and transported in his, victim's, automobile

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thence to a point at or near Number 1910 Edgecombe Road in the City of Saint Paul aforesaid, in the County, State and District aforesaid, where he, the victim aforesaid, forcibly was transferred to and placed in an automobile, heretofore mentioned, then and there in the custody and under the control of defendants, said victim thereupon unlawfully having been confined, abducted, carried away and transported thence in interstate commerce as aforesaid in the latter automobile then and there in the custody and under the control of defendants as aforesaid, and held for ransom in the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00), defendants, and each of them, at all the times and on all the occasions mentioned herein and at the time of the commencement of the interstate transportation of victim as aforesaid and throughout the course of the interstate transportation of victim as aforesaid, then and there well knowing that said victim had been seized, kidnaped, abducted and carried away unlawfully as aforesaid and that said victim then and there was to be and was being held for ransom as aforesaid, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the United States of America.

United States Attorney for the District  
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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases--I. O. #1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases--I. O. #1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1232;  
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;  
KIDNAPING

There is being enclosed a list of men's and women's wearing apparel, et cetera, which were taken from the house on Lake Weir near Oklawaha, Florida, by Division Agents after Kate and Fred Barker were killed on January 16, 1935. The items enumerated in this list are packed in two wooden boxes and are presently stored in the Jacksonville office. The list was prepared by Special Agents J. C. White and C. B. Winstead, who packed the articles in the aforementioned boxes.

It will be appreciated if the Division will advise as soon as possible what disposition is to be made of these articles.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge

cc E. J. Connelley  
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Chicago  
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- 1 Brown top coat (man's)
- 1 Light brown overcoat - purchased - Frank Ray, Miami, Florida
- 1 Dark brown overcoat - no marks on same
- 2 Pairs black men's lace boots
- 1 Pair black lady's riding boots
- 2 Pairs tan lady's lace boots
- 3 Full suits of men's clothes
- 11 Pairs men's trousers (assorted)
- 1 Pair blue overalls
- 2 Blue sport coats (men's)
- 1 Pair lady's riding breeches
- 1 Lady's black coat
- 17 Pairs of lady's shoes
- 4 Pairs of men's shoes - low - assorted
- 1 Pair of men's house slippers
- 1 Grey and one blue lounging robe (men)
- 1 Lady's red sport jacket
- 1 Lady's grey coat suit
- 2 Men's suede jackets
- 1 Lady's brown dress
- 1 Lady's black crepe dress
- 1 Lady's blue and white jacket
- 1 Lady's black coat (long)
- 1 Lady's white wool skirt
- 1 Lady's house dress
- 1 Lady's black wool skirt
- 1 Lady's brown jacket
- 1 Lady's caracul cape
- 1 White silk dress
- 1 Pink silk dress
- 46 Pieces of lady's underwear
- 1 Blue skirt
- 1 Blue waist
- 1 White waist
- 1 Black dress
- 1 Lady's knitted wool dress
- 1 Lady's black silk dress
- 1 Lady's bathing suit and rubber cap
- 1 Blue and white lady's dress
- 1 Lady's knitted white waist
- 1 Man's gray cap
- 1 Panama hat full of bullet holes
- 10 Lady's hats
- 1 Lady's slip over sweater
- 1 Linen table cloth
- 2 Lady's house dresses
- 7 Pairs lady's silk stockings
- 3 Men's vests
- 1 Man's coat

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- 1 Lady's silk dress (red)
- 1 Lady's silk kimono
- 1 Lady's white silk dress
- 1 Lady's velvet dress
- 1 Lady's pink silk dress
- 5 Pairs lady's kid gloves
- 2 Lady's silk waists
- 1 Black and white silk dress
- 1 Lady's fur coat with white collar and cuffs
- 2 Men's belts
- 1 Man's grey hat, black band - full bullet holes
- 1 Lady's blue parasol
- 3 Pairs suspenders
- 1 Lady's black velvet dress
- 1 White cotton dress
- 1 White silk dress
- Assorted lady's cloth belts
- 12 Neckties
- 1 Man's silk shirt full of bullet holes
- 22 Men's cotton shirts
- 21 Men's handkerchiefs
- 18 Lady's handkerchiefs
- 1 Quart Thermos bottle

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All the above listed clothing, etc., is left in the Jacksonville Office in two wooden boxes.

JCW:HAM.

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Jacksonville, Florida  
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January 31, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
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I. O. #1232, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letters of the Jacksonville office dated January 22 and January 23, 1935, respectively, relative to the men's and women's wearing apparel which was taken from the house on Lake Weir near Oklawaha, Florida, after Kate and Fred Barker were killed on January 16, 1935.

It is noted that this property has been shipped to your office in four leather bags and one metal suitcase, covered by Government bill of lading, J-69685. It is not clear from the letters of the Jacksonville office whether the contents of this shipment are identical with the wearing apparel listed in the memorandum furnished to the Division under date of January 23, 1935, which wearing apparel was said to have been packed in two wooden boxes and stored in the Jacksonville office. In any event, the Division desires that all the property except the automobile, money, jewelry, and guns be immediately returned to the Jacksonville office to be turned over to the local authorities for appropriate disposition under the probate laws of the State of Florida. This matter should receive the immediate attention of your office and the Jacksonville office.

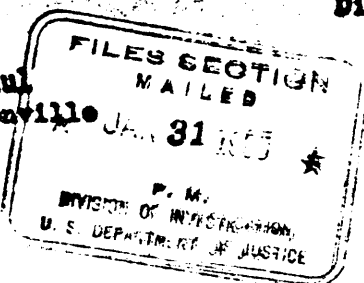
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

CC - St. Paul  
Jacksonville

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

January 19, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

*Bramel Case*

Time 12:50 PM

Mr. Alt telephoned from Jacksonville and advised that the U.S. Marshal there was in receipt of a telegraphic subpoena from the U.S. Attorney at St. Paul, to be served on L.E. Futch at Ocala. In the subpoena, Futch is commanded to appear at St. Paul and bring and produce the Buick coupe and money recovered at Ocala and Mr. Alt desired to know the reason for this subpoena.

I advised Mr. Alt that the subpoena was probably served for the protection of Futch in turning this property over to us, but that I would have it checked with the U.S. Attorney's office in St. Paul and advise him.

Respectfully,

*E.A. Tamm*  
E.A. Tamm

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Miami, Florida,  
January 23, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Penn., Ave., & 9th St. N.W.,  
Washington, D. C.

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -  
I.O. 1218 - et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir,

Attached hereto are photographic copies of a latent fingerprint removed from a bottle found in the house that Karpis had rented in Miami, Florida. This print was developed by the Miami police department which organization had received the first information concerning the Karpis hide-out here. The detectives who investigated the case found a liquor bottle in the house on which this print was found.

It is suggested that the fingerprints of the various subjects in this case be checked with the attached. To date, the investigation here has resulted in learning that in addition to Karpis the only other persons who visited in this house, outside of the maid, were Harry Campbell, Wynona Burdette and Delores Delaney. It is suggested that Duke Randall's prints also be checked against this latent print. His fingerprints were forwarded to the Division last night by air mail. He, however, denies ever having been in this hide-out.

The Jacksonville, St. Paul division offices and Mr. Connelley should be furnished with a copy of the report made in accordance with this letter.

Yours very truly,

J. H. HANSON, Special  
Agent in Charge.

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St. Paul, Minnesota,  
January 18, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR S.A.C.:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,  
KIDNAPING. St. Paul File No. 7-30

In this memorandum, evidence is being prepared for the assistance of the United States Attorney in presenting the evidence in the BREMER case to a Grand Jury to convene at St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 21, 1935.

A summary report has already been submitted by Special Agent D.L. Nicholson, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, 6-4-34, a copy of which was sent to the office of the United States Attorney in St. Paul, Minnesota, and for this reason the evidence early in the case will not be set out but rather reference will be made to the various witnesses listed in this report and the evidence under each witness.

WITNESSES:

EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim. Refer to the report of Special Agent D.L. Nicholson, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, 6-4-34, beginning at page 2 and continuing. This will contain the story of the kidnap.

FRED CODE. This party prepared the ransom money. Please refer to the above mentioned report, page 36.

ADOLF BREMER, JR. Please refer to the above mentioned report, page 37.

WALTER W. MAGEE. Reference should be had to the above mentioned report, page 17, disclosing that MAGEE will testify as to the delivery of the ransom money.

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MRS. FLORENCE HUMPHREY. Refer to the above mentioned report, page 12. She will testify as to the purchase of the flashlights from her at the Grand-Silver Store by ALVIN KARPIS. In this connection, United States Attorney George F. Sullivan requests that a photograph of KARPIS be available at the time MRS. HUMPHREY testifies before the Grand Jury.

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U.S. Department of Justice, 629 First National Bank Building, Omaha, Nebraska

cc - Division  
cc - Chicago  
cc - St. Paul

Refer to the above mentioned report, page 38, which contains the details of finding of the flashlights used in the kidnaping, which were located on a hill a few miles south of Zumbrota, Minnesota.

RUBEN GROSSMAN, Portage, Wisconsin. Please refer to the above mentioned report, page 13. This witness will testify as to the recovery of the gasoline cans used by the kidnapers and left near the farm of GROSSMAN.

HARRY HIBNER, deputy sheriff, Portage, Wisconsin. Please refer to the above mentioned report, page 14. This witness will advise that the finding of the gasoline cans was brought to his attention by GROSSMAN; that he received said cans from GROSSMAN and forwarded same to the St. Paul Division Office.

EARNEST MILLISCH, Portage, Wisconsin. Refer to the above mentioned report, page 15. This witness will testify to having seen a coffee brown colored car drive up to the place where the gasoline cans were found and to occupy themselves at the rear of the car.

MR. GEORGE F. SULLIVAN, UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, St. Paul, Minnesota, advised Agent McIntire that it would not be necessary to set out the witnesses available to show the transactions as to the Bremer ransom money in Chicago, and advised that he will subpoena only WILLIAM H. BLESCHKE, for the Grand Jury.

WILLIAM H. BLESCHKE, c/o Lakeview Trust and Savings Bank, 3201 North Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. This witness will testify that on April 25, 1934, a man whom he has now had opportunity to view and whom he identifies positively as WILLIAM EDWARD VIDLER, came to the Lakeview Trust and Savings Bank and exchanged thirty-one Federal Reserve Notes, of five dollar denominations, for other money; that these Federal Reserve Notes were drawn upon Minneapolis Banks of the Federal Reserve Bank; that the same were compared with the Bremer ransom money and were found to be Bremer ransom money. These thirty-one five dollar notes are now in the possession of Mr. BLESCHKE at the Lakeview Trust and Savings Bank and will be produced by him before the Grand Jury.

A list of the above mentioned thirty-one ransom bills is contained in the report of Special Agent K.R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, dated 5-16-34, of which the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, has a copy.

J.C. WHITE, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN, SR., was arrested at his home, 3523 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, on April 27, 1934. In the absence of Special Agent White,

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Special Agent K.R. McIntire will be able to testify to this fact.

R.D. BROWN, Special Agent, 1900 Bankers' Building, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Chicago, Illinois. This witness will testify that on April 28, 1934, he interviewed JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN, SR., at the Cook County Jail, at which time he was advised by Agent Brown that his son, JIMMIE McLAUGHLIN, had been apprehended with Bremer ransom money in his possession, to which McLAUGHLIN replied, "Jimmie is not guilty of anything and he did not know that the money I gave him was 'hot'. If he was found with some 'hot' money in his possession, I must have given it to him but I did not realize I gave him money of the 'hot' five and ten dollar bills. You (meaning Agent Brown) remind me a great deal of JIMMIE and I want to tell you I realize I am in the middle and I am willing to take whatever the consequences may be but I want that boy to go home tonight". Agent Brown will state that McLAUGHLIN, SR., advised him that he, McLAUGHLIN, met a party in Chicago in the spring of 1934 by the name of WRIGHT, who introduced him, McLAUGHLIN, to two men known as MR. JONES and MR. SMITH, but who were later identified as "SLIM" and "IZZY", who are now known to the Division as RUSSELL GIBSON and OLLIE BERG; that these men informed McLAUGHLIN that they had some "hot" money which they wished to unload in Chicago; that McLAUGHLIN advised Brown that these men wanted McLAUGHLIN to change the money, which was in the form of five and ten dollar bills, into bills of large denomination, and that he, McLAUGHLIN, was to receive a 5% commission in this matter on the money thus changed. McLAUGHLIN admitted to Agent Brown that he, McLAUGHLIN, secured the services of PHILIP DELANEY and WILLIAM E. VIDLER for the purpose of changing this "hot" money into bills of other denomination. He also advised Agent Brown that he, McLAUGHLIN, commenced handling this "hot" money on or about April 18, 1934, and that VIDLER and DELANEY did all the changing at the various banks. McLAUGHLIN admitted to Agent Brown that, after he had disposed of money on three or four consecutive days, he saw "IZZY" and "SLIM" at their rooms in the Irving Hotel, at which time he was curious to learn the identity of the money which he was handling, due to the fact that there appeared to be an unlimited supply of it and that he asked "SLIM" if it was kidnap money and whether it was money from the kidnaping of HAMM in St. Paul; that "SLIM" either said, "YES", or indicated in some way that it was; that "SLIM" stated that they had \$100,000.00 they wanted to get rid of as soon as possible; that, after that was gone, he thought they would be able to get \$200,000.00 more; that McLAUGHLIN inquired as to whether the \$200,000.00 would be BREMER money; that he did not receive any answer to this question but somehow got the impression that the \$200,000.00 was Bremer money. Agent Brown will state that he questioned McLAUGHLIN closely as to the above statement and that McLAUGHLIN finally stated that he believed he was handling money obtained from the release of the WILLIAM HAMM, JR., at that time.

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In the absence of Special Agent R.D.Brown, it has been agreed between the United States Attorney, George F.Sullivan, St.Paul, Minnesota, and Special Agent K.R.McINTIRE, that the latter will be able to testify to the above facts.

Special Agent R.D.BROWN, Division of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago, Illinois. This witness will be able to testify further that on April 27, 1934, he secured a signed statement from PHILLIP DELANEY in which the latter admitted handling "hot" money, the same having been secured from "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN; that DELANEY admitted exchanging several thousand dollars worth of this money for bills of larger and different denominations.

In the absence of Special Agent R.D.Brown, the United States Attorney, George F.Sullivan, St.Paul, Minnesota, has agreed that Special Agent K.R.McIntire will testify as to the above.

M.C.FALKNER, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice, 234 Federal Building, Charlotte, North Carolina. This witness has submitted an affidavit relative to an interview which was had with him by JOHN J.McLAUGHLIN, SR., in which McLAUGHLIN admitted having obtained money from a man whom he knew as "SLIM", and another man known to him as "IZZY", in a hotel in Chicago, Illinois, in 1934, which money he suspected was "hot" and understood was money paid in ransom in the HAMM kidnaping case and that he further understood that he was to receive either \$100.00 or \$200.00 additional from the same source; that upon being given this money by these men, it was the understanding that he, McLAUGHLIN, was to change this money into bills of larger denominations at the Chicago banks, for which service he was to receive 5% of all money so exchanged.

In the absence of Special Agent Falkner, Special Agent McIntire will be able to testify as to this information.

JIMMIE WILSON, Spring Valley, Illinois. This witness will advise that he lived in the Irving Hotel in Chicago with DR.JOSEPH P.MORAN in the spring of 1934; that on or about April 14, 1934 he went to the hotel room occupied by DR.MORAN and that the doctor was noted to open the door cautiously, only part way, at which time JIMMIE WILSON could see into the room and could observe "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN, OLLIE BERG, and RUSSELL GIBSON, who was then known to JIMMIE WILSON as "SLIM" EVANS, bending over the bed on which was spread a large quantity of money. WILSON will testify that there must have been several thousand dollars there; that, as he recalls, "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN was in the center, and RUSSELL GIBSON and OLLIE BERG were on either side of McLAUGHLIN; that he observed "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN counting this money, which was on the bed, and that OLLIE BERG and RUSSELL GIBSON were watching him. WILSON will also state that he heard OLLIE BERG make the remark to "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN, SR., "How much more

do you want?" This witness will state that on or about April 20, 1934, he was called to DR. MORAN'S room at the Irving Hotel by OLLIE BERG and, when he arrived, OLLIE BERG was alone; that shortly thereafter JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN, SR., came into the room, unaccompanied; that, after an exchange of greetings, WILSON noticed OLLIE BERG hand McLAUGHLIN a package wrapped in newspaper and heard him remark, "Don't bother about counting it, it's alright". This witness will also testify to the close association between JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN, SR., RUSSELL GIBSON, OLLIE BERG, and DOCTOR MORAN. This witness will further state that, as soon as the Chicago newspapers carried the information that "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN had been arrested for having handled some Bremer ransom money, DR. MORAN, RUSSELL GIBSON, and OLLIE BERG, immediately left Chicago, Illinois, for Toledo, Ohio, in order to avoid apprehension.

ELMER FARMER, c/o Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago, Illinois. This witness will advise that shortly before Christmas of 1933, FRED BARKER and GEORGE ZIEGLER came to him for the purpose of securing a house where several men could be held for a week or ten days. He will advise he assisted these men in getting a house through one, HAROLD ALDERTON, (also spelled ALLERTON), at Bensenville, Illinois. He will advise that he saw ALVIN KARPIS, FRED BARKER, and GEORGE ZIEGLER together on numerous occasions in Bensenville, Illinois, prior to the Bremer kidnaping. He will state that on the morning after BREMER was kidnaped, HAROLD ALDERTON told him that the "boys got in last night and they had a fellow with them who had been hit on the head but who would be alright"; that on this same day HAROLD ALDERTON also told him that these boys had kidnaped Bremer and were holding him in his, ALDERTON'S, home for ransom. FARMER will state that on many occasions he purchased groceries for the gang at ALDERTON'S house and that he served as a lookout for this gang and it was intended that he should advise this gang if any investigation were conducted in Bensenville, looking toward the location of MR. BREMER. He will advise that he was in the hide-out house, known as the Alderton home, in Bensenville, Illinois, at least three or four times a week; that, on these occasions, he saw the following persons besides himself: HARRY CAMPBELL; Arthur "DOC" BARKER; FRED BARKER; HAROLD ALDERTON; GEORGE ZIEGLER alias FRED GOETZ; ALVIN KARPIS; and two unidentified men known hereinafter as "JOHN DOE" and "RICHARD ROE". These men, to date, are unknown to this Division. FARMER has described JOHN DOE as follows:

Name:	("JOHN DOE")
Age:	30 to 35 years
Height:	5'8" or 9"
Weight:	175 pounds
Hair:	Dark brown
Eyes:	Large
Face:	Round
Build:	Husky.



Name:	("RICHARD BOB")
Age:	30 years
Height:	5'6" or 7"
Weight:	135 to 140 pounds
Hair:	Dark brown
Face:	Thin
Build:	Slender.

This witness will further advise that he was paid \$1,000.00 for the service which he rendered in the holding of BREMER. He will further state that, from his observation, FRED BARKER and GEORGE ZIEGLER made practically all of the trips to St. Paul to carry the ransom messages; that these men were always dressed in business men's clothing, while the others, who were at the hideout, were dressed in high boots, riding trousers, and loose swede jackets. He will advise that he saw machine guns at the hideout house; that on one occasion he saw GEORGE ZIEGLER and FRED BARKER enter the room occupied by BREMER, wearing tied handkerchiefs which would be pulled up over their faces; that these two men remained in BREMER'S room for perhaps thirty or forty minutes and then returned to the kitchen and removed the handkerchiefs, which were fastened by knots behind their necks.

K.R. McINTIRE, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago Illinois. This witness will testify that the hideout in which BREMER was held has now been located at Bensenville, Illinois. He will state that he has personally examined the hideout and has found it to meet the description given by Victim BREMER in practically every particular. It is expected, also, that Victim BREMER will be able to testify as to his identification of the hideout. Special Agent McIntire will be able to testify as to the close association between the members mentioned in the indictment and the reasons why indictments should be returned against such parties.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul,**

FILE NO.

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Birmingham, Ala.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1-23-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1-12, 20, 21-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>A. Hale Watkins.</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases</b> <b>ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases</b> <b>RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases</b> <b>DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases</b> <b>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>		I.O.#1218; I.O.#1219; I.O.#1213; I.O.#1232; et al;	CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>Kidnaping.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Frank Mathews convicted of bank robbery at Summerville, Ga., in 1914; case abated on an appeal on 10-8-14 due to fact that Mathews had died prior to the hearing on the appeal. Information received that Mathews died while serving on a chaingang near Rome, Ga. during the year 1914. Mathews has no relatives living at Lyerly, Ga. Law enforcement officials in Birmingham district notified of descriptions of Karpis and Campbell and type of automobiles used while traveling from Florida to New Jersey. Hospitals requested to advise if subjects contacted them.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Report of Sp. Agt. J. D. Reynolds, Birmingham, Ala., 11-14-34, and two telegrams from Division to Birmingham dated 1-20-35.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: <u>At Summerville, Ga.</u></p> <p>J. B. Lewis, Clerk of the Superior Court, Chattooga County, Summerville, Ga., advised that he remembered the name of Frank Mathews, and stated that Mathews was convicted in his court in 1914 for the robbery of the Bank of Lyerly, Ga. Lewis made a diligent search of the records, but failed to find the records in this case.</p> <p>Lewis was, however, able to find the record of the appeal of this case to the Court of Appeals of Georgia, at Atlanta, Ga. Lewis stated that the records in his office showed that the case was heard on appeal before the Court of Appeals on October 8, 1914, at which time the case was ordered by that court to abate, in view of the fact that suggestion had been made to the court that Mathews was then deceased. This suggestion was also made a part of the record, by order of the court.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. H. Hansen</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-7789 JAN 25 1935 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: FILE ONE STAT. SECT.	
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Lewis stated that he remembered the case, and that Mathews had died of tuberculosis in a chain gang, near Rome, Ga., between the date of his conviction in 1914, and the hearing of his appeal on October 8, 1914.

At Lyerly, Ga.

J. P. Rose, Assistant Postmaster, and former Postmaster, Lyerly, Chattooga County, Ga., advised that he remembered the case against Mathews, and that Mathews was convicted of the bank robbery, but died a short time later of tuberculosis, in a chain gang near Rome, Ga. Rose stated that he remembered that Mathews became ill, and the officials removed him from the gang to a tent by himself, and that he died a short time after in this same tent.

Rose stated that it was his understanding that Mathews was from the State of Texas, and he had heard that he owned and operated a drug store some place in Texas.

Rose also stated that Mathews had no relatives living in the vicinity of Lyerly, nor did he have any friends, as he was a stranger there prior to the robbery of the bank.

Judge Mose Wright of Rome, Ga., who was sitting on the bench in the Superior Court of Chattooga County, Summerville, Ga., at the time of the trial of Mathews is now dead.

At Birmingham, Ala.

On receipt of first telegram of reference from the Division, advising that Karpis and Dolores Delaney were proceeding north from Florida in a 1935 Buick Sedan, Motor No. 4949155, bearing Florida license D-5306, pertinent information relative to the same was transmitted to the following agents with instructions to advise the police officers in their vicinities to check the hospitals for any information leading to the apprehension of Karpis and the Delaney woman.

W. E. Overstreet, Macon, Ga.,  
J. E. Lunsford, Atlanta, Ga.,  
W. A. Temple, Oxford, Miss.,  
K. R. Schroeder, Grenada, Miss.

The following Police Departments were notified to furnish assistance to Sheriffs and Highway Officials in their vicinities, in causing the apprehension and location of Karpis and companion.  
Police at Columbus, Valdosta and Thomasville, Ga.,  
Police at Montgomery and Birmingham, Ala.

Desk Sergeant Wilson of the Birmingham Police Department advised that a general broadcast was received from the Jacksonville, Fla. Police about January 19, 1935, furnishing physical description of persons similar to Karpis and Delaney, and advising that they had left Florida in a Buick Sedan on Wednesday, January 16, 1935.

On receipt of second telegram of reference from the Division, advising that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell had engaged in a gun battle with the Atlantic City, N.J. Police at 7.00 A.M. on January 20, 1935, escaping in a pea green Pontiac coach, Motor No. 1039382, bearing 1935 New Jersey license plates A-3073, for 1935. The above mentioned Special Agents in the field, including Special Agent W. M. Sirene, who was then at Dothan, Alabama, were advised, and instructed to notify police officials relative to the descriptions of Karpis and Campbell, and the automobile, advising of the dangerous character of the occupants, contacting hospitals with a view to causing the subjects' apprehension.

Chiefs of Police in the above mentioned cities in Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi, and the Police of Columbus, Miss., were advised by telegram on January 20th, 1935, relative to the description of Karpis, Campbell and the Pontiac Coach that they were driving, and of the dangerous character of the occupants, and requested to maintain close watch for the automobile, apprehending the subjects, and to check the hospitals in their respective districts for any information of value leading to the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell.

Special Agents F. T. McIntyre Jr., and Charles Holtz checked hospitals in Birmingham, Alabama, without obtaining any information of value.

Special Agents Wm. R. High and L. A. Obenshain likewise checked the Birmingham hotels and garages, which produced negative results.

The Birmingham Office is conducting investigation in Atlanta, Ga., at the State Prison Commission, State Capitol, Atlanta, Georgia, for any information their records may disclose concerning friends, relatives, etc. of Mathews. Efforts will be made through these records to verify the death of Mathews shortly after his conviction in 1914, at Summerville, Ga.

P E N D I N G

Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida

January 22, 1935

RAA:SEH

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases--I. O. #1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases--I. O. #1215;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1232;  
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;  
KIDNAPING

This will confirm receipt of your telegram from Philadelphia at 10:08 P. M. on January 21, 1935, advising that Deluxe sedan used by Harry Campbell was purchased at Gainesville, Florida the latter part of 1934 and registered, later tags for 1935 were obtained in Florida under the name of G. L. Summers, that the car is probably in Miami, Florida, and requesting that the same be checked for detailed description and tags at Gainesville and Miami, Florida; said car being a Ford.

The Motor Vehicle Commissioner at Tallahassee, Florida, has advised that he has no record of car registration under the name of G. L. Summers at Gainesville but that 1934 tag 204692, title 952664, issued to G. F. Summers, Box 738, Gainesville, Florida, for Ford four-door sedan, motor number 18-1190702, and that he has no record that 1935 tag issued for this car.

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By telephone at noon on January 22, 1935, P. C. Keeter, sales manager of the Ford agency in Gainesville, Florida, advised as follows: That on November 16, 1934, he sold standard four-door Ford sedan, motor number 18-1190702, to one G. F. Summers; that Florida tag 204692 for 1934 issued for this car.

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Keeter stated that two or three days before the sale of this car to Summers, Summers had a wreck with a Ford coupe near Bronson, in Levy County, Florida, which is about thirty miles from Gainesville; that in this wreck he ran into another car, killing Mr. and Mrs. Canon, Mr. Canon being employed by the Atlantic National Bank, Jacksonville. Mr. Keeter went to Bronson, found that Summers was a fine likeable fellow, with a more than decent personality, and that he interceded for him and prevailed upon Sheriff W. B. Whidden of Bronson, Florida, not to arrest Summers. At that time Summers was only slightly injured. The Ford coupe he was driving was a Deluxe 1934 model, motor number 1194246. He traded this coupe, after it was wrecked, to Keeter for the Ford four-door sedan previously mentioned, paying a difference of \$434.50 in cash. Keeter does not remember the

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To Mr. Connelley, Philadelphia

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denominations of currency but believes that Summers paid with either one five-hundred-dollar bill or five one-hundred-dollar bills. Keeter has no records of tags that the Deluxe coupe bore.

The Ford sedan, motor number 18-1190702, Keeter sold to Summers was either a dark blue or black with wire wheels, tire in rear, with metal cover. It was a regular standard sedan and not a Deluxe model.

Keeter described Summers as being

between 28-30 years of age,  
5 feet, 10 inches in height,  
weight from 140-155 pounds,  
slender,  
between blonde and light brown hair,  
light complexion, fair skin,  
blue eyes -

He gave his residence as El Commodore Hotel, Miami, Florida, and for the Ford coupe which he traded to Keeter he had a bill of sale which reflected that it was purchased from the Dade Motor Sales Company, Miami, Florida, on October 24, 1934, by C. F. Summers, address: El Commodore Hotel, salesman being Sutherland, invoice number 1807. Keeter states that the signature of the salesman of the Dade Motor Sales Company is illegible but it looks like Allen. This bill of sale reflects terms of sale as cash.

Keeter stated that a month or two after November 16, 1934, two ladies appeared at his office to secure the title certificate for Ford sedan, motor number 18-1190702--one was an elderly lady about fifty years of age with a hard face, a brunette, and she was accompanied by a younger woman and to the best of his recollection she was a blonde. He doubts whether he can identify either of these persons from photographs but is pretty positive that if he sees them again he will be able to identify them. Keeter stated that when Summers bought this car he gave no information whatsoever concerning himself; that while Summers was purchasing this car a telephone call was received for him from Birmingham, that after a short conversation Summers returned to Keeter saying that the call was apparently in error, that he was not the person wanted. Summers told Keeter that he was a dog man and was en route to Tallahassee, Florida, to see State officials in connection with the dog-racing game in Florida. According to Keeter, Summers had in his car an automatic pistol and several extra clips. He appeared to be a refined cultured sort of chap, with a likeable and pleasing personality. Keeter is positive that he could identify him if he ever saw him again.

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To Mr. Connelley, Philadelphia

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Mr. Keeter concluded by stating that with reference to the wreck at Bronson, Florida, when Mr. and Mrs. Canon were killed, it was definitely determined that Summers was not at fault, which was the reason for his not being held for investigation.

It is possible and highly probable that Harry Campbell or some other person connected with this mob may still be in possession of this car in Florida. All Agents are requested to take appropriate action in the field, endeavoring to locate this automobile. This is especially true in Miami and vicinity.

Copies of this letter are being furnished to all Agents presently operating in the district of the Jacksonville office.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
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All Agents in Jacksonville office district

P. S. Since the above and foregoing letter was dictated and typed SAC Hanson from Miami has advised that the Ford sedan purchased by G. F. Summers in Gainesville, Florida, on November 16, 1934, has been located in Miami.

R. A. A.



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TITLE (Changed) ALVIN KARPIS, aliases: A. Carter, Raymond Handley, George Heller, Alvin Karpis, Karpis, Earl Peel, Alvin Karpis, George Dunn, R. E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Ray Karpis, E. L. Burns, R. L. Burns, J. J. Burns, William Lohman, Alvin Karpavicz, R. E. Nelson, Earl Lyman Burns, Merion Bradford, H. J. Milgreth, H. C. Milgreth, Howard Milgreth; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: E. L. Burnes, Ray Hall, Dan Murphy, "Chi" Karpis, Raymond Hadley, Albin Karpis, "James", Charles M. Bronson, I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, aliases: "Doc" Barker, Claude Dale, Bob Barker, E. L. Murray, J. H. Harvey, "Joe", H. J. Harvey, Ray Dock Barker, Claude Barker, Arthur Barker, T. E. Gordon, "Joe", H. J. Harvey, Ray Gordon, "Shorty", I.O. 1219; FRED BARKER, aliases: F. C. Ward, Ted Murphy, J. R. Davis, J. E. Blackburn, T. C. Blackburn, J. Earl Matterson, J. R. Stanley, Smith, Fred E. Gordon, Bradford, Earl J. Matterson, F. C. Blackburn, George L. Lang, "Shorty"; HARRY CAMPBELL, aliases: Dave Walcott, George Winfield, George Swanson, Martin, George Nelson, John Walcott, George Walcott, George Winfield, George Swanson, VOLNEY DAVIS, aliases: "Curley Davis", "Cotton" Davis, E. V. Davis, J. H. Lockwood, S. E. Lockwood, C. E. Moore, Jimmie, Curley Moore, Everett Davis, Curley Hansen, Curley Hanson, J. E. Hansen; WILLIAM WEAVER, aliases: P. O'Donnell, Phoenix Donald, R. A. Nelson, T. J. Nelson, P. J. Nelson, Bill Scott, W. C. Weaver, J. A. Orhood, Charles W. Lucas, Charles E. Bolling, Bill Weaver, Felix Donald, P. O'Donnell, P. O'Donnell, W. G. Weaver, P. O. Scott, Bill Thornton, Felix Donald; HARRY SANDOVICH, alias: Frank James, "Dutch" Sawyer, Harry Sandovich, Harry J. Porche, Harry Sandovich, R. Sandovich, Jew Harry, FRED C. GERTZ, aliases: George Zeigler, Fred Getz, "Shotgun" Zeigler, "The Dutchman", James George Zeigler, George B. Siebert, A. W. Johnson, Johnson, George B. Johnson, Floyd C. Zeigler, Van Ash, George F. Siebert (Deceased); BYRON BOLTON, aliases: Bryon Bolton, Monty Carter, Owen B. Carter, James Jackson, James E. Owen B. Carter; JAMES J. WILSON, aliases: Jimmie Wilson, James Jackson, Joseph B. Moran, Joseph C. Moran, "Doc" Moran, I.O. 1232; RUSSELL GIBSON, aliases: Rusty Gibson, Gray, R. Gray Evans, Roy Gray, Roy Gray Evans, Slim Evans, Andrew Allen, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, aliases: Willie Harrison, J. B. Bolton, E. J. Ryan; OLIVER A. aliases: Ollie Berg; "Izzy", Mr. Jones, Oliver Bennet; WILLIAM EDWARD VIDLER, alias: William E. Vidler, Williams; PHILIP J. DELANEY, aliases: Philip Delaney, Phillip Delaney, Phil Delaney, Phillip Delaney; JOHN JOSEPH MCLAUGHLIN, aliases: J. J. lin, "Boss" McLaughlin, Mr. Smith; JOHN JOSEPH MCLAUGHLIN, JR., aliases: Jack lin, Jimmy McLaughlin. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim. DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES.

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Synopsis of Facts: Further information concerning past activities and associates of Willie Harrison, Hammond, Indiana and vicinity obtained. Joe Williamson and wife, Chicago, contacts of Byron Bolton and wife, interviewed, Chicago, Illinois, advised Bolton dressed in hunting clothes called at Williamson's apartment latter part of January, 1934, indicating possibly Bolton took some active part in kidnaping; state Bolton's two children mysteriously called for and taken from Williamson apartment on 11/24/34. [REDACTED] received letter postmarked Springfield, Illinois, 12/18/34 from Volney Davis, who failed to furnish address. Davis visited Aurora, Illinois, night of 12/18/34. Subject Berg advised he and subject Gibson only acted as guards for Bremer ransom cash handled through Dr. Moran's office; that Gibson had no part in the kidnaping; says subjects remarked Government had no jurisdiction in this case due to absence of interstate transportation. Mildred Kuhlman, wife or paramour of "Doc" Barker, presently located 432 Surf Street, Chicago, living with man whose identity as yet undetermined. Subject Harrison rented apartment at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue on 12/15/34; investigation shows this apartment now occupied by members of this gang, identities not yet established.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, dated 12/21/34; letter from the Kansas City Division office, dated 12/27/34; report of Special Agent J. A. Smith, Jr., St. Louis, dated 12/26/34; letters from Detroit Division office, dated 12/17, 19 and 22/34, and report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, dated 12/17/34.

DETAILS:

The title of this report is being marked "changed" in order to show additional aliases used by subjects Karpis, Arthur R. Barker, Fred Barker, William Weaver, James J. Wilson and Russell Gibson; also to show the correct first name of subject Bolton as "Byron" instead of Bryon, and to add the name of William J. Harrison with aliases as a subject.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan:

In a further effort to locate Mae Green (not May Green as previously reported) the following investigation was conducted. It is to be noted that Mae Green is reported to have resided with William J. Harrison at Calumet City, Illinois, from April to approximately September, 1933. To verify information contained in previous reports to the effect that Mae Green had received her mail at General Delivery, a check of the General Delivery at the main post office at Chicago, Illinois, and at the Post office at Calumet City, Illinois, was made for the months of September, October and November, 1933, which failed to disclose any forwarding address for Mae Green.

Agent was advised that the former postmaster at Calumet City, one John L. Lewendowski, was acquainted with William J. Harrison and was in office during the time that Mae Green is reported to have resided with Harrison at Calumet City. John L. Lewendowski, former Postmaster at Calumet City, Illinois, was interviewed and shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, including a photograph of William J. Harrison, which photographs he failed to recognize as those of any persons he had ever seen. He could not recall anything regarding Harrison, nor was he acquainted with Mae Green.

William Blankblossom, who was employed at the Calumet City Post Office as Special Delivery messenger, was likewise interviewed in the presence of Mr. Lewendowski, who vouched for Blankblossom's integrity. Blankblossom was likewise shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker mob, which he failed to recognize.

A record of the long distance telephone calls made from Hammond 1663, the telephone listed to William J. Harrison, 310 West Mason Street, Calumet City, Illinois, during April and May, 1933, discloses a call made to Graceland 2928, which telephone is listed to Frank Brennan, 4027 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois.

By discreet inquiry, Agent ascertained that Frank Brennan and an unmarried sister, both elderly persons, reside in an apartment at the above address; that they have lived here for many years and are considered very reputable and reliable.

Miss Mary Brennan was interviewed and questioned concerning the above telephone call. She could not at first recall the circumstances surrounding the above call, but later stated that in October or November of 1932, a Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hayworth roomed with her, in company with one Mae Green and her husband. She stated that Mr. and Mrs. Green and Mr. and Mrs. Hayworth came to Chicago together from New York City, where Mr. and Mrs. Green stated they had operated a soda fountain business. Miss Brennan stated

that Mae Green originally came from St. Louis, Missouri. She did not know, however, the names of any of Mae Green's relatives nor her former address in St. Louis. Miss Brennan recalled that Mae Green had been staying at Hammond, Indiana, or Calumet City, Illinois, and that she expressed the intention of getting a job at the World's Fair upon its opening in May of 1933. Miss Brennan recalled that about November 1, 1932, Mr. Green visited his parents' home somewhere in Kentucky and that on one occasion Mae Green made a telephone call from Miss Brennan's apartment to her husband in Kentucky. Miss Brennan stated that when the Greens moved from her apartment, they were aided by a Mr. Meyers, a tailor located at 4061 Sheridan Road, who is a friend of the Greens.

At the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Agent was advised that the long distance telephone toll tickets are destroyed by the telephone company after one year; that, therefore, the toll ticket on the telephone call made by Mae Green in November, 1932, had been destroyed.

Without disclosing his identity, Agent interviewed one Mr. Meyer, a tailor at 4061 North Sheridan Road. He stated that Dorothy Flynn, who, up until a month or two ago resided at 4336 North Sheridan Road, was a good friend of Mae Green and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hayworth. Meyer stated that Mrs. Hayworth's first name was "Pat"; that he did not know the present address of Mr. and Mrs. Hayworth, stating that the Hayworths had recently separated, and that when last heard of Robert Hayworth had been living in the same apartment house in which Dorothy Flynn was living on Sheridan Road.

At 4336 Sheridan Road the housekeeper, who declined to give her name, stated that Robert Hayworth had resided at this address up until July, 1934, but had moved without paying his room rent. She stated that she believed that Hayworth had moved to the Hotel Sinton on Sheridan Road; that Dorothy Flynn had likewise moved to the Sheridan Plaza Hotel.

Mr. Henry Walther, house detective, Sheridan Plaza Hotel, was interviewed and, through an informant, located Dorothy Flynn, and she was interviewed by Agent in the presence of Detective Walther at the Sheridan Plaza Hotel. She stated that she was not acquainted with William J. Harrison and could not identify photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, which were shown to her; that she had not seen Mrs. Robert (Pat) Hayworth in nearly a year. She stated that Pat Hayworth was presently residing at 815 Allen Street, East Grand Forks, Minnesota; that Pat Hayworth had been in communication with Mae Green since Mae Green has resided in Washington, D. C. and undoubtedly knows Mae Green's present address.

The St. Paul Division Office was requested by letter to interview Mrs. Pat Hayworth for the purpose of obtaining Mae Green's present address in Washington, D. C., so that she may be interviewed regarding her

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knowledge of Harrison's present whereabouts and her knowledge concerning the activities of the Karpis-Barker gang.

At the Hotel Sinton the records were checked for the past six months, but no record could be found of a Robert Hayworth. However, one of the bellboys, whose name was not obtained inasmuch as Agent did not disclose his identity because of the questionable character of the hotel, advised that he believes Hayworth had formerly stayed in a room occupied by one Tom Connolly, who is presently residing at the Aragon Arms Apartments, at 4717 Kenmore Avenue.

Tom Connolly at the Aragon Apartments was interviewed and stated that approximately two months ago Hayworth had been rooming with him, Connolly; that Hayworth was unemployed and without money and that he informed Connolly that a friend of his living on the South side of Chicago had promised him a job. He left Connolly's apartment and Connolly stated that he has not seen him since and has no idea where he is presently located. Connolly stated he has no knowledge of Hayworth's personal history, and does not know where his folks reside.

The following numbers to which long distance telephone calls were made from telephone number Hammond 1663, listed to William J. Harrison, in April and May, 1935, were checked:

MIDWAY 10553, listed to Harry Green, 542 Lake Park Avenue, Chicago. This address is occupied by a tavern which appears to be of questionable character. Agent frequented this tavern and struck up a conversation with a man working behind the bar who appeared to be the owner of the premises. This man's name is Stone and during the course of the conversation Stone mentioned that he had not seen Willie Harrison in approximately two years and requested information from Agent as to whether he had seen Harrison recently.

HYDE PARK 1967, listed to William J. Gibbons, Green Tree Inn, 7416 Stony Island Avenue, which has been mentioned in previous reports, was checked with the following results. William J. Gibbons was interviewed and he stated that he is the owner of the Green Tree Inn and has been for many years. Gibbons spoke freely and apparently truthfully to Agents when he stated that he does not solicit the patronage of hoodlums. He was shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, including that of William J. Harrison, all of which he failed to recognize. Gibbons mentioned, however, that he was acquainted with John McGinnity, who formerly operated a tavern at Calumet City, Illinois. It is to be noted that John McGinnity was formerly an employee of William J. Harrison several years ago. Mr. Gibbons stated that he had a brother residing at Tinley Park, Illinois, by the name of John T. Gibbons.

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One of the telephone calls made from Hammond 1663 was made to Tinley Park 90, which is a telephone listed to a roadhouse located at 147th Street and Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, Illinois, which place is operated by John Gibbons, who was interviewed by Agent. Mr. Gibbons likewise was shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, including the photograph of William J. Harrison, which photograph of Harrison appeared familiar, although he could not recall Harrison's identity. Mr. Gibbons stated, however, that he was acquainted with Jackie Filan at Calumet City, Illinois, and that possibly Filan might have had occasion to telephone Gibbons from Harrison's residence. It is to be noted that Filan is a former partner of William J. Harrison and is presently incarcerated in the Leavenworth Penitentiary. It is also to be noted that the roadhouse operated by John T. Gibbons is apparently a respectable place, frequented by prominent politicians and judges in and about Chicago.

SAGINAW 5273, listed to L. A. Easley, 1915 East 86th Street, was checked with the following results. Agent made discreet inquiries of the janitor's wife at the apartment house located at the above address and she stated that the Easley family had resided at this address only since April, 1934, and were not living here prior to that time. It is evident, therefore, that the above telephone call was not made to Mr. Easley, but apparently to someone else who formerly had the same telephone number.

LAWNDALE 6868, listed to F. Bennet, 2501 South Springfield Avenue, Chicago, was checked with the following results. At this address Marie Holcubek, manager, was interviewed and stated that the Bennet family resided at this address for several years, but had moved approximately three months ago; that Mrs. Bennet is presently residing at 3824 West 26th Street, and Mr. Bennet was operating a brewery somewhere in Michigan. Mrs. Holcubek stated that the Bennets were a highly respectable family and she was shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, which she failed to recognize as those of any persons she had ever seen.

Mrs. Fred Bennet, 3824 West 26th Street, telephone Crawford, 5699, was interviewed. She stated that her husband was presently employed at the Four Flags Brewery at Niles, Michigan; that neither she nor her husband were acquainted with William J. Harrison, but that they were acquainted with a man named "Whitey", who operates Whitey's Service Station at Calumet City, Illinois. At Calumet City, Illinois, Agent had heard that a man named Whitey, last name unknown, was acquainted with William J. Harrison and this undoubtedly is the party referred to by Mrs. Bennet. Mrs. Bennet stated that neither she nor her husband has visited Calumet City for a long period of time and she was shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which she failed to recognize.

PULASKI 1785 is listed to Joseph M. Pochran, 11858 Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was checked with the following results. Agent interviewed Ray Donnelly, who delivers mail to the above address, who stated that Mr. Pochran has two sons who operate a tavern at the above address which is frequented by questionable characters. Mr. Donnelly knew of no one in the neighborhood who could be trusted if interviewed.

Agent visited the tavern operated by Vince and Frank Pochran at 11858 Indiana Avenue, and struck up a conversation with Vince Pochran, who stated that he had formerly tended bar at 120 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois, for approximately six years up to two years ago. He appeared to be well acquainted with all the tavern owners at Calumet City, Illinois, and also acquainted with William J. Harrison, stating that he had not seen "Willy" for some time.

OAKLAND 8478, listed to the Oberman Pharmacy, 4301 South Michigan Avenue, was checked as follows: Joseph R. Oberman, owner, was interviewed and shown photographs of the Karpis Barker gang, including a photograph of William J. Harrison, which he failed to recognize. He stated, however, that the photograph of Harrison appeared very familiar, but that he could not recall where he had seen him or the circumstances surrounding his acquaintanceship with Harrison, stating that he believed it took place several years ago. The record of the prescriptions filled at the Oberman Pharmacy during April and May of 1933 was checked, but there was no record found of a prescription filled by Mr. Oberman for William J. Harrison or Mae Green.

Frank Horner, formerly employed as a clerk at this drug store, was interviewed at Mr. Oberman's other store located at 4301 South State Street. Horner was likewise shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which he failed to recognize.

BURNHAM 9866, listed to Otto Heigl, 14214 Avenue O, Burnham Illinois, was checked with the following results. Agent made discreet inquiries at the Post Office and other places at Burnham, and ascertained that Otto Heigl was a next door neighbor to John Patton, Mayor of Burnham, and up until the present year was Clerk of the Town of Burnham and a very close friend of John Patton.

No effort was made to interview Heigl, inasmuch as Patton is reputed to be one of the heads of the Capone Syndicate and a friend of William J. Harrison.

HUMBOLDT 9406, a telephone listed to the Rembrandt Restaurant, operated by George Drellos at 2758 West North Avenue, Chicago, was checked. Mr. Drellos was interviewed and shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang

all of which he failed to recognize. He stated he could not recall anyone from Calumet City, Illinois, or Hammond, Indiana, telephoning his place of business, but stated it is possible some customer may have done so. He referred Agent to his night manager, James Poulas, who was later interviewed by Agent and stated that approximately a year and a half ago there was a young lady employed as a waitress at the Rembrandt Restaurant who was acquainted with a girl who lived at Calumet City, Illinois, with a man who operated a tavern in that town. Poulas probably had reference to Mae Green, who was at that time living with William J. Harrison. Poulas stated that he did not know the name of this former waitress or her address, but stated that she occasionally came to the restaurant to ask for work, and that when she next calls he will obtain her address and notify the Chicago Division office.

BLUE ISLAND 2316 is listed to William Gallagher and Walter H. Koenecke, 2341 West Prairie Street, Blue Island, Illinois. Mr. Koenecke was interviewed and stated that he was not acquainted with William J. Harrison, nor could he identify photographs of any members of the Karpis-Barker gang. He stated, however, that his sister, Lillian Bradshaw, had been introduced to a man named Merritt Longbrake while she was visiting relatives in Indiana. He stated that Longbrake was a guest at the Koenecke home during the Spring of 1933, and that later the Koenecke family had ascertained that Longbrake had a record as a bank robber and was an escape. It is to be noted that Mr. Koenecke operates a large wholesale cigar business at Blue Island and that he and his parents have been residents of Blue Island almost since its founding and are considered highly respectable.

Mrs. Lillian Bradshaw, 2341 West Prairie Street, was interviewed and stated that while visiting relatives at Elkhart, Indiana, she was introduced to Merritt Longbrake at a dance; that she did not know his identity; that he appeared to be a well mannered young man and that she went out with him on several occasions; that he called at her house in the latter part of April and the early part of May, 1933, and that she later learned that he was an escaped convict from some jail in Ohio and was a bank robber. She stated that Longbrake later communicated with her by telephone, at which time he expressed his desire to see her, but that she refused to see him and has not heard from him since. She stated that it was possible that Longbrake had telephoned her from Calumet City, Illinois, from the house occupied by William J. Harrison, who, Mrs. Bradshaw stated, was unknown to her. She was shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which she failed to recognize. It is to be noted that Longbrake's name has been mentioned in the investigation of the Dillinger mob, but no connection has been shown between Longbrake and this gang. Longbrake has the reputation of being a "lone wolf," and is still at large.

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EVERGREEN PARK 7227 is a telephone number listed to the Homestead Inn, 9650 South Western Avenue, Chicago, under the name of William J. Hefferman. Agent made inquiry of Carl Noffs, who operates the Shell Oil Station at 9550 South Western Avenue, and he stated that the Homestead Inn was owned and operated by one Joseph Flandry. He stated that it is a hangout for followers of Joe Saltis, notorious Chicago racketeer, who is reported to be the owner of the Thornton Brewery. While Agent was speaking with Carl Noffs, F. C. Kriewitz, sales representative for the Shell Oil Company, called at the station. Mr. Kriewitz stated that he was a former deputy sheriff of Lake County, Indiana, and presently resides at Gary, Indiana, where he has a wide acquaintanceship. He stated that Fred Hacker, who is presently in the real estate business at Calumet City, Illinois, was formerly in the liquor business in that town and was a former partner of Pete Esser; that Hacker is no longer connected with the liquor business and is not engaged in illegal activities, and undoubtedly would be of service in this investigation. It is to be noted that Pete Esser, who is now deceased, is reported to have been a very close friend of William J. Harrison, and it is possible that Fred Hacker may be able to provide information in regard to Harrison's personal history.

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WENTWORTH 5035, listed/the Woodlawn Tavern at 410 East 63rd Street, Chicago, is noted in previous reports as having been called from Hammond 1663. This tavern up until six months ago was owned and operated by one Thomas McLaughlin. Thomas McLaughlin was interviewed at the Woodlawn Tavern, which he still frequents. He was shown photographs of the members of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which he failed to recognize, but stated that the photograph of William J. Harrison appeared familiar to him. McLaughlin has a wide acquaintanceship on the South side of Chicago, and he advised Agent that because he had been in politics, tavern owners on the South side of Chicago, at Calumet City, Illinois, and at Hammond, Indiana, frequently used to visit the Woodlawn Tavern when McLaughlin operated it, and that undoubtedly Harrison had visited at his tavern in the past, but he could not recall Harrison's identity.

John J. Wallace, attorney at law, Post Office Building, Calumet City, Illinois, was again interviewed and he stated that approximately three years ago he had brought an action of replevin for the return of an automobile which was being held by the Calumet City Police Department. Wallace stated that he could not recall the name of the owner of this automobile, but stated that William J. Harrison had retained him, Wallace, for the purpose of obtaining possession of the car from the Calumet City Police Department. Wallace suggested to Agent that he could obtain a record of this transaction from Frank A. Stachowitz, the justice of the peace at Calumet City, Illinois.

Mr. Frank A. Stachowitz, Justice of the Peace, National Tea Building, 695 Wentworth Avenue, Calumet City, was interviewed and checked his records which disclosed that on July 1, 1931, an action of replevin was brought by Mrs. J. A. Camden for a 1930 Cadillac town sedan, motor No. 803370. Stachowitz stated he recalled this automobile had been used by two bandits who were arrested in Calumet City, Illinois, on a charge of robbery; that at the time of arrest they were in possession of the above automobile, which they had stolen from Mrs. Camden, who gave the address 8100 Essex Avenue. Mr. Stachowitz stated that he later attempted to get in touch with Camden at 8100 Essex Avenue, but ascertained that the Camdens had moved and had left no forwarding address, and that he had later heard that Camden had been found dead as a result of gunshot wounds, on a road near St. Paul, Minnesota. Mr. Stachowitz could not recall any interest William J. Harrison had in this replevin action. Because Agent did not trust Mr. Stachowitz' integrity, inasmuch as he is reported to have friends among the hoodlums of Calumet City, Illinois, inquiry concerning members of the Karpis-Barker gang was not made of him.

Mr. Robert Smith of the Smith Auto Sales, Hohman Avenue, Hammond, Indiana, was again interviewed and he again checked his records and found a record of a sale of Dodge sedan, 1926 model, motor No. B652071, which they had sold to William J. Harrison, Savoy Hotel, Hammond, Indiana, on May 18, 1933. Harrison paid \$15.00 cash deposit and Smith stated that he still owes \$20.00 on the car. Smith stated that he understood that Harrison disposed of the above mentioned automobile shortly after he obtained possession of it, but that he does not know to whom Harrison sold or transferred this car.

Inasmuch as Harrison is reported to be driving a Ford sedan, Agent checked the records of the H. F. Herschbach Ford Agency, 5603 Hohman Avenue, Hammond, but did not find any record of the sale of a Ford automobile to William J. Harrison or to any other members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

John Coyle, who operates the tavern just south of the southwest corner of Fifth Avenue and Broadway, Calumet City, Illinois, was interviewed. It is to be noted that Attorney John J. Wallace of Calumet City advised Agent Sullivan that Coyle had seen Harrison during the past summer when Harrison had retained Coyle's services to obtain possession of an automobile in which Harrison had been riding, which was being held by some police department on the outskirts of Gary, Indiana.

Mr. Coyle stated that sometime during the Fall of 1933, not during the summer of 1932, William J. Harrison called upon him and desired to have Mr. Coyle refer Harrison to someone who would have sufficient

influence to assist Harrison regain possession of an automobile which was being held in a garage on the outskirts of Gary, Indiana. Coyle stated that he referred Harrison to Dwight Kinder, who operates a garage on Route 20, 13 miles East of Broadway, Gary, Indiana; that he understood that Harrison, through Kinder, obtained possession of the automobile, which was being held either at Kinder's garage or at some other garage in the vicinity. Coyle stated that he did not know whether anybody else was with Harrison at the time this car was held. He was shown photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which he failed to recognize, with the exception of the photographs of Charles J. Fitzgerald and William J. Harrison. Coyle stated that he knew Harrison during the time Harrison had resided and operated a tavern at Calumet City, Illinois; that he, Coyle, likewise formerly operated a tavern at Calumet City; that when Harrison first came to Calumet City he was employed as a bartender by John McGinnity. Coyle stated that McGinnity, an elderly man, is presently tending bar at the Roosevelt Hotel, Gary, Indiana. Coyle likewise stated that approximately two years ago Charles J. Fitzgerald alias "Big Fitz" resided at Calumet City, Illinois, with one George Brooks. Coyle stated that one Dolly Arter, a cabaret entertainer, was living with Brooks and Fitzgerald was residing in the same house; that a girl named Isabelle Tuttle, likewise roomed at Brooks' house which was located at Wentworth Avenue and Schrum Road, Lansing, Illinois, which is a small town located just south of Calumet City; that while "Big Fitz" was living at Brooks' house, Brooks was shot down in a gang war; that "Big Fitz" shortly thereafter left town, at which time he was driving a large Packard sedan, license plates unknown; that William J. Harrison was quite friendly with "Big Fitz" and that there was a bitter rivalry between Brooks and Harrison concerning big Fitz' friendship; that Big Fitz during the time he was at Calumet City appeared to have a large amount of money, and it is Coyle's understanding that after Brooks' death, ex-Captain of Police Frank Metka, who is presently employed at the United Chemical Company at Hammond, Indiana, obtained possession of "Big Fitz" automobile for Big Fitz, who immediately after the shooting left Brooks' home in order that he would not be arrested.

Coyle stated that one Harry Tucker, who had just returned from Florida where he had been engaged in bootlegging and apparently was in partnership with William J. Harrison who remained at Calumet City, Illinois, likewise was a close friend of Harrison. Coyle described Brooks as being 35 years of age, 195 pounds in weight, height six feet, complexion florid, with hair red (kinky). Coyle stated that he has not seen Harrison since the above occasion in 1933, but stated that he would not be surprised if Harrison, if he was in the vicinity, should call on him, Coyle. Coyle spoke frankly with Agent, and apparently sincerely, and stated that he would immediately telephone the Chicago Division office, which telephone number was left with him, in the event he should obtain any information with regard to Harrison's whereabouts.

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Dwight Kinder, who operates a garage on Route 20, 13 miles East of Broadway, Gary, Indiana, was interviewed and stated that in the Fall of 1933, a collision occurred on Route 12, about 2 miles from his garage between an automobile operated by a man who resided somewhere in Michigan and another automobile; that an attachment was levied on the automobile operated by the above mentioned party before Justice of the Peace Herman Wagner, who lives on Route 12, 13 miles East of Gary. Kinder was shown a photograph of William J. Harrison, and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which he failed to recognize. He stated that he believed that the persons who owned the above mentioned automobile, against which attachment proceedings were filed gave fictitious names; that the car was held at the Dunes Center Garage by a party who gave an address at a local hotel at Gary; that later when Justice of the Peace Wagner attempted to get in touch with the parties he could not find anyone living at the Gary Hotel under the names given. Kinder stated that John Coyle and several other persons, whose identities are unknown to Kinder, made a settlement with the party from Michigan, and the car held at the Dunes Center garage was released. It is to be noted that Kinder is an attorney at law and was retained by the driver of the car which came from Michigan. Kinder's records do not disclose this man's name or address. Photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang were shown to Mr. Kinder, and he did not recognize any of them as those of persons he knew.

John McGinnity, bartender at the Roosevelt Hotel, was interviewed by Agent, who did not disclose his identity. During the course of a long general conversation, McGinnity stated that he had heard that Dolly Arter was last heard of as being employed as a waitress in a tavern or night club at St. Louis, Missouri. A letter was forwarded to the St. Louis Division office requesting that an investigation be made to ascertain Dolly Arter's present whereabouts, in order that she might be interviewed in regard to the present whereabouts of Charles J. Fitzgerald, William J. Harrison and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang. McGinnity likewise advised that "Big Homer" was a close friend of Charles Fitzgerald, whom McGinnity stated often was called "Crazy Charley", because of his wild antics when intoxicated. When referring to "Big Homer" McGinnity undoubtedly meant Homer Wilson, according to the description of "Big Homer" which he gave this Agent.

McGinnity likewise stated that "Ray" Tucker, former bartender for Willie Harrison, was presently at Jacksonville, Florida, where he is running a tavern or night club; that Jacksonville, Florida, is Tucker's wife's home; that Red O'Malley, who is reported to be a friend of William J. Harrison, recently got out of jail; that Joe Festis alias Joe Hanley, a friend of William J. Fitzgerald, is presently serving time at Michigan City, Indiana.

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Edward Berwanger, 498 Ingram Avenue, Calumet City, Illinois, has been contacted by Agent on several occasions. It will be noted that Mike Marschek rooms in Berwanger's home and it is reported that Harrison frequently stays with Marschek when he is in Calumet City. Berwanger stated that he does not know the present whereabouts of Isabelle Tuttle, but that Ella Tuttle is presently residing on State Street in Calumet City. He pointed out to Agent a house, which is located on the north side of the 400 block on State Street, Calumet City, in which she is living with Al Page, a musician. Berwanger stated that Ella Tuttle could be trusted.

Agent interviewed Ella Tuttle at the above address and she stated that her sister, Isabelle Tuttle, was presently residing at 5246 South Park Avenue, with a man named Steinko; that she has not seen William J. Harrison for approximately two years. She was shown photographs of the other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which she failed to recognize. She stated she did not know Dolly Arter's present whereabouts, but stated that Mrs. Nettie Jones, a sister of Dolly Arter, was presently residing on Hoffman Avenue, just beyond Calumet Avenue in Hammond, Indiana.

Mrs. Nettie Jones, 1015 Hoffman Avenue, Mrs. William Quinn, 619 Indiana Avenue, and Mrs. Elsworth Spencer, 1242 119th Street, Whiting, Indiana, sisters of Dolly Arter, were interviewed. They advised that they did not know where she was presently located. Mrs. William Quinn stated that through a man whose name she could not recall, who is employed at the Carbon and Carbide Company, Whiting, Indiana, she had heard that her sister Dolly is living somewhere in Texas, but intended going to Montana.

Mrs. John Martin, 2750 Seminary Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, mother of Dolly Arter, was likewise interviewed by Agent, who did not disclose his identity. Mrs. Martin stated that she had not heard from her daughter Dolly for more than a year; that when last heard from Dolly was somewhere in Texas. Mrs. Martin could not recall the name of the town nor the address, but advised Agent that she understood that Dolly intended to go to Montana.

Miss Isabelle Tuttle, 5246 South Park Avenue, was interviewed. She stated that in the Spring of 1932, she resided at Wentworth Avenue and Schrum Road, Lansing, Illinois, with Dolly Arter, George Brooks and Charles J. Fitzgerald. She stated that she knew Fitzgerald by the name of Charles J. Murphy; that Fitzgerald was driving a Packard sedan which was registered in Indiana under the name of Charles Murphy, Mead Hotel, Hammond, Indiana. She stated that she knew William J. Harrison, having seen him on a few occasions when she roomed at Brooks' home, but has not



seen him in two years; that she has not seen Dolly Arter in approximately a year and a half and when last heard from Dolly was somewhere in Texas, address unknown. Isabelle Tuttle was questioned thoroughly for further information with regard to William J. Harrison and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, but without results. She could not identify any photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang which were shown to her except those of William J. Harrison and Charles J. Fitzgerald.

A letter was directed to the Indianapolis office requesting that the records of the Indiana State Motor Vehicle Bureau be checked for information regarding the registration of automobiles by William J. Harrison during 1932, 1933 and 1934 in the State of Indiana, and also for information regarding the registration of a Packard sedan by Charles J. Fitzgerald, under the name of Charles Murphy, Mead Hotel, Hammond, Indiana, during the year 1932 and for subsequent registrations by Fitzgerald.

In an attempt to obtain information in regard to Harrison's activities, Agent made inquiry of P. M. Schrum, Paul W. Schrum and William Schrum, who live opposite the house formerly occupied by George Brooks at Wentworth Avenue and Schrum Road, Lansing, Illinois. The above mentioned persons were shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, which they failed to recognize, nor were they acquainted with William J. Harrison. However, Mr. William Schrum suggested to Agent that he might inquire of a Mr. Lindner, a real estate man, who has an office in the 500 block of Wentworth Avenue, Calumet City, Illinois. Schrum stated that Lindner was a reliable party, but had a wide acquaintanceship among hoodlums of Calumet City.

Agent was advised by Edward Berwanger, 498 Ingram Avenue, that Frank Moose, who was employed by the B & B Tavern, corner of State Street and State Line Avenue, Calumet City, was reliable. Frank Moose was interviewed by Agent and was shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang. He stated that the photographs of Gladys Sawyer and Harry Sawyer appeared familiar to him; that he thought he had seen them either come to the saloon where he is employed, or somewhere on the streets of Calumet City within the past two months. He likewise stated that the photograph of William Harrison appeared familiar to him. Moose stated that Mike Marschek, who is employed in the saloon next door, which is operated by John Nichols, is unknown to him. However, through Mike Motzka or Mosko (phonetic spelling) a driver for the Great Lakes Brewery, Moose stated he would attempt to ascertain whether Marschek knows Harrison's present whereabouts. Moose stated that Mosko for ten years lived with an aunt Marschek, and that Mosko is well acquainted with Marschek.

"Pop" Schneider, Savoy Hotel, Hammond, Indiana, has been contacted on several occasions. He stated that George Brooks, now deceased, was a former partner of Freddie Marsbank; that both Brooks and Marsbank were well acquainted with William J. Harrison; that Marsbank is presently operating a "hot dog" stand on the southeast corner of State Line and State Streets. Schneider discreetly questioned Walter Jackson, who is a close friend of Jim Finneran. It is to be noted that in previous reports mention was made of the fact that Finneran had stated that Harrison was around a racetrack somewhere in either Florida or Texas. Schneider stated that Jackson had questioned Finneran in a discreet manner and Finneran apparently did not know where Harrison was located. Schneider stated that he is a close friend of Dewey Baker, whom Harrison has contacted within the past three months, as mentioned in previous reports. Schneider states he feels absolutely certain that he would know almost immediately if Harrison visited Calumet City; that Dewey Baker, knowing that Harrison owes Schneider money, would immediately advise Schneider should Harrison visit Calumet City or Hammond. Schneider stated that Mike Marschek alias Pittsburgh Mike has always in the past acted as intermediary for Harrison in taking messages for him and in performing errands for Harrison.

It is to be noted that when Mrs. Barker gave up her residence at 7269 South Shore Drive, Chicago, a forwarding address was left with the electric company to forward the electric light bill to W. J. Ryan, 6714 Stony Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. It was ascertained that this tavern is presently operated by Frank Emmet and formerly was operated by Mickey Burns and Jerry Wunderlich.

Frank Emmet was interviewed at 6714 Stony Island Avenue, and he stated that he was not acquainted with William J. Harrison. He was shown photographs of Harrison and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize. Emmet apparently spoke truthfully. Agent had made previous discreet inquiries in the neighborhood and had ascertained that Emmet apparently runs a respectable place of business and appears to be a reliable business man. Bob Emmet, a cousin of Frank Emmet who is employed as a bartender at this address and Ted Martin, a partner of Frank Emmet, were likewise interviewed and shown photographs of Harrison and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which they failed to recognize. Special Agent John Madala had previously frequented this tavern, without disclosing his identity, and had struck up a conversation with a bartender named Don Drake who, upon being questioned, stated that he had not seen Willie Harrison for approximately a month, but felt certain that Harrison might stop in at any time. This bartender named Drake was interviewed by Agent Sullivan, at which time he stated that up until three months ago the present tavern was operated by Jerry Wunderlich, who is presently living with his parents on a farm located on the outskirts of Bloomington, Illinois. Drake stated that he is

well acquainted with William J. Harrison, having formerly worked as a bartender with him in Calumet City, Illinois; that in the Fall of 1933 Harrison left Calumet City, Illinois, and went to Cicero, Illinois, where he engaged in business, operating a tavern with a partner, whose name Drake does not know. Drake stated that he did not know the address of the tavern; that during the early part of 1934, Harrison visited the tavern at 6714 Stony Island Avenue, on several occasions and then was not seen by Drake for approximately three or four months, but during the past summer Harrison again began to call at the tavern about once every three or four weeks. Drake stated that he had noticed that during the past year Harrison had been rather secretive; that Harrison at no time mentioned where he was residing, nor what his business was; that he visited the tavern alone at all times, and that he has not seen Harrison for the past three months, at which time Harrison was driving a Ford V-8 Sedan, bearing Illinois license plates. Drake stated that he could not recall any letter which was delivered to Harrison under the name of W. J. Ryan; however, that around the first of the year Harrison had a letter addressed to him at this tavern under the initials W. J. or M. J., last name unknown to Drake, from the Automobile Registration Bureau, which apparently contained a registration card for an automobile. Drake stated that he could not recall the license plates on the car used by Harrison; that up until three months ago, approximately, Len Bagnall was employed as a bartender at this saloon; that Bagnall presently is confined to his bed on account of a heart attack, from which he undoubtedly will not recover; that about three months ago Elmer Grier, who was formerly employed at this tavern, left to take a position at the New Harrison Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana; that Grier formerly worked as a bartender at Calumet City and was well acquainted with William J. Harrison and might be able to provide information in regard to Harrison's present whereabouts. Drake stated that in the latter part of 1933, Harrison was selling Canadian beer in partnership with a man, name unknown, who resided in a one story shack on the North side of 15th Avenue just east of Hessville, Indiana, near Hammond, Indiana. Drake stated that this place was on the north side of the road opposite a gas station. Drake stated that he would immediately notify the Chicago Division office by telephone should Harrison again call at this tavern, which telephone number was left at this tavern for use of any of the above mentioned persons employed thereat.

Pop Schneider, Savoy Hotel, Hammond, Indiana, upon later interview, stated that Herb Brill, who operates a taxicab at 7 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois, had informed him that approximately one month ago he had taken a passenger to 6714 Stony Island Avenue, Chicago, and he had seen William J. Harrison in the tavern located at this address.

Dan Drake and the other above mentioned person, employed at the tavern at 6714 Stony Island Avenue, were again interviewed, and they together with the others interviewed, stated that they have not seen Harrison in the past three months.

Jacob Heidt, father of Ruth Heidt, ex-wife of William Harrison, who operates a gas station at 6000 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana, was interviewed. Heidt stated that his daughter Ruth packed up her belongings and left without advising him of her destination, approximately six weeks ago. Heidt indicated that he and his daughter Ruth did not get along well together. Heidt said that he does not know where Ruth is presently residing, but stated he would immediately advise Agent when he learns of her address. Heidt stated that approximately two months ago, William J. Harrison stopped at the gas station in company with another man in a Ford V-8 sedan; that approximately a month before that Harrison had stopped for gas with this man. Heidt stated that previous to the past two months Harrison had occasionally stopped for gasoline and oil, the last occasion being accompanied by a man about 27 or 28 years of age, of stout build, with a medium complexion, having a fat round face. Mrs. Heidt was shown photographs of the members of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which he failed to recognize except the photograph of Fred Barker. He stated he had seen Barker in company of Harrison at the gas station some three or four months ago. He could not recall the license plates on the automobile which Harrison was driving, nor did Harrison tell him where he was living or engage in any conversation.

Mrs. Cecelie Nealon, who resides at this gas station with her husband and Mr. Heidt was interviewed and stated that during the month of September she was employed by Mr. Heidt at the gasoline station. She recognized the photograph of Fred Barker as that of a man named Shorty and a photograph of Alvin Karpis, stating that these persons occasionally purchased gasoline at this gas station. She stated that they rode in a Ford coupe which she did not think was a 1934 model. She could not recall the license plates on this car. She stated that occasionally William Harrison was with Fred Barker and the man she identified as Karpis; that the last she saw of William J. Harrison was during the latter part of September; that at approximately 9:00 A.M. one morning a young man, about 5' 11" tall, of slender build, weighing about 150 pounds, with dark hair, dark eyes, and a dark complexion, who Mrs. Nealon would judge to be about 30 to 32 years of age, and who was driving a sedan, probably a Chevrolet or a Ford, stopped at the gas station, but did not purchase gas; that he hung around for a few minutes shortly before William J. Harrison showed up and this unknown man got into his car; that Harrison led the way in his car in the direction of Hammond, Indiana; that neither of them spoke and Mrs. Nealon stated that she has not seen either of them since. She recalled that on one occasion the young man named "Shorty", identified as Fred Barker, while speaking with Ruth Heidt, who was then residing at this address, mentioned that

his brother had a beautiful black chow dog. Mrs. Nealon stated that Ruth Heidt and her father did not get along well together, and that when Ruth left she did not mention where she was going. Upon being questioned Mrs. Nealon stated that Ruth occasionally received mail from the Chicago Motor Club at Gary, Indiana. Both Mrs. Nealon and Jacob Heidt were given the telephone number and address of the Chicago Division office and they both promised to immediately notify the Chicago Division office should Harrison or any other members of the Karpis-Barker gang call at their gasoline station. They stated that they would attempt to obtain the numbers of the license plates on the car used and would likewise attempt to determine the direction in which they were going in order that the Chicago Division office might attempt to intercept them.

Mrs. Emmett Swarthout, Chicago Motor Club, 916 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana, was interviewed and stated that Policy No. 616705, taken out by Ruth Heidt, 6000 West 5th Avenue, had been renewed by Ruth Heidt on September 25, 1934; that Ruth Heidt was formerly a member of this Motor Club, but that her membership had expired two months ago; that they had no new address for her and that this matter is being handled by the Hammond office.

Edward Bieker, Chicago Motor Club, 5455 1/2 Hohman Avenue, Hammond, Indiana, advised Agent when interviewed that he did not know Ruth Heidt's present address, but stated that Paul Wagner, employed as a salesman at the Smith Automobile Sales Agency, was a brother-in-law of Ruth Heidt and would undoubtedly know her address; that he was well acquainted with Wagner. He discreetly interviewed Wagner, who advised Bieker that Ruth Heidt had recently moved from Gary, Indiana, and was presently living somewhere in Chicago; that her address was unknown to him.

"Pop" Schneider, Savoy Hotel, Hammond, stated that Ruth Heidt recently visited the hotel and stated that she was living with some man in Chicago and that this man was a musician. Schneider stated that the next time he sees Ruth Heidt he will attempt to ascertain her present address.

John Coyle, above mentioned, likewise stated that he occasionally sees Ruth Heidt and that he likewise will attempt to obtain her present address. From information provided by Mrs. Nealon, who stated that Ruth Heidt often engaged in conversation with Fred Barker and Karpis when they visited the gas station at 6000 West 5th Avenue, it is believed that she might have valuable information regarding the present whereabouts of Harrison and the other members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John L. Madala,

On November 28, 1934, Mr. H. C. McVeigh, Attendance Record Clerk at the Austin High School, Chicago, Illinois, communicated with agent Madala by telephone and advised that Owen Carter, Jr. had been absent from school from November 26 to November 28, 1934; that he called Mrs. Joe Williamson, Owen's guardian, by telephone and she advised that Owen had left town to join his father and mother in Wisconsin for the Thanksgiving holiday; that she expected him to return to Chicago in a few days and that in all probability he would be back in school on Monday, December 3, 1934.

On December 7, 1934, agent Madala again contacted Mr. McVeigh and on this occasion he advised that Owen Carter, Jr. had not as yet returned to school. He stated that he again called Mrs. Williamson on the telephone and in this connection was advised by her that he would not return to school for the remainder of the semester, as he went out West with his parents. Mr. McVeigh advised that inasmuch as Mrs. Williamson is the boy's guardian and is responsible for his attendance in school, he had to accept this excuse and therefore did not question her any further concerning this matter.

Agent suggested that Mr. McVeigh place a notation on the record card of Owen Carter, Jr. to have it routed to him in the event any inquiry or request be received at the school for his scholastic record; further, that if such an inquiry is received, he should immediately notify the Chicago Division office.

On December 7, 1934, agent Madala again contacted John Remele, janitor at 108 North Lamon Street, Chicago, Illinois, at which address the Carter children have been living with Mr. and Mrs. Williamson since October 23, 1934. Mr. Remele advised that he had not seen the two children since a few days before Thanksgiving; that he does not know where they are nor who took them away. He advised that he occasionally asked Mrs. Williamson two or three days prior to agent's visit concerning where the children had gone, and Mrs. Williamson advised that their parents came for them and took the children with them.

At the Austin Post Office a request was made by agent Madala to continue the cover on Joe Williamson's mail until further notice from the Chicago Division office. The only tracing received to date as a result of the above cover is a letter postmarked Springfield, Illinois, dated December 1, 1934, bearing the return address, Mrs. E. E. Freeman, 224 East Spruce Street, Springfield, Illinois. It was subsequently learned that Mrs. E. E. Freeman is the mother of Mrs. Joe (Sidina) Williamson.



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In view of the information above set out, it was deemed advisable to bring Joe Williamson to the Chicago Division office and rigorously interview him concerning his knowledge of the activities and present whereabouts of Monty Carter. Accordingly, on December 13, 1934, Special Agent R. D. Brown and this agent (Madala) accosted Joe Williamson on the street while he was en route from his place of employment to his home and brought him to the Chicago Division office. He was interviewed by Special Agents R. D. Brown, D. P. Sullivan and J. L. Madala on December 14 and 15, 1934, at which time he furnished the following information.

He advised that Monty Carter's correct name is Byron Bolton; that he has known him since 1925, having met him through his wife, Sidina, at Virden, Illinois. In this connection he stated that his wife is a niece of Mrs. Veva Carter, Monty's wife, by reason of the fact that his wife's father is a brother to Veva. Williamson further stated that Monty changed his name to Owen B. Carter in 1929 shortly after the information was published to the effect that he was wanted in connection with the St. Valentine Day massacre, which took place in Chicago, Illinois on February 14, 1929.

Joe continued, stating that Monty Carter as Byron Bolton operated an U-Drive-It-Yourself business in Springfield, Illinois, in 1926 and 1927, being associated with one Frankie Dias, also of Springfield, Illinois; that he continued in this business until 1928, after which he began to sell automobiles. In 1929 Monty became involved in the bootleg racket in Springfield, Illinois, and in the following year he moved his activities to Chicago and became part of the Al Capone Syndicate.

Williamson further stated that when Monty and his family moved to Chicago, Monty became more or less uncommunicative, possibly for the reason that he was being hunted by the police for the above mentioned massacre. He advised, however, that the Carters resided in Oak Park, Illinois, the exact address unknown, during 1931 and 1932; that they moved to Elmhurst, Illinois and lived there until August, 1933, when they moved to the Wilmington Hotel at 3334 Maypole Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He stated that they lived at this address for approximately one month and then went to live for two weeks at the Kilbourn Manor Apartments located at 4501 Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

Williamson stated that Monty is affected with tuberculosis and for this reason necessarily has to live in a warm and dry climate; that in view of this, he usually spends the winters in Arizona, Texas or Colorado; that last year he and his family moved to Phoenix, Arizona, around the early part of November, and while there he became very friendly with one Frank Madison, a golf instructor, and John T. McCann of Appleton, Wisconsin; that in view of his friendship with Madison, Monty conducted a

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golf school at Madison's course in Phoenix, Arizona, last season.

Williamson further stated that to his recollection Monty returned to Chicago, Illinois, around the middle of January of 1934, leaving his wife and two children in Phoenix; that he advised upon his arrival here that he had to come to this city on business but did not state the exact nature of it. Williamson further disclosed that Monty remained in Chicago for nearly six weeks on this trip, and on frequent occasions he visited them at their apartment at 108 North Lamon Street, Chicago, Illinois; that he never stayed over night on these visits, and would usually come in the late afternoon, stay for dinner and then leave. Williamson advised that he distinctly recalls that in a few instances someone would call for him in an automobile and drive away with him; that he never had an opportunity to observe this party and therefore is unable to describe him. Williamson explained that the person in question would drive to the apartment after dark, after which Monty would leave without the man coming into the room; that Monty at no time mentioned his caller's name and he did not advise as to who he was.

Williamson further stated that at one time during the latter part of January, 1934, he recalls that Monty came to his apartment dressed in khaki breeches, high top shoes, woolen shirt and a red and black checkered lumberjack coat. Joe advised that he did not inquire of Monty as to why he was dressed in this fashion, and Monty did not make any explanation in this regard. He stated that on this particular occasion Monty came to the apartment at about 2:00 P. M. and complained to Mrs. Williamson of having a headache and stated he wanted to sleep for a few hours; that Monty remained until after dinner and then departed alone, not stating where he was going. It might be stated at this point that the fact that Monty Carter was dressed in the above fashion bears some significance in this case, as previous information developed by this office disclosed that the various members of the Barker-Karpis gang were dressed in that type of garb during the period of victim Bremer's captivity.

Williamson further stated that Monty returned to Phoenix, Arizona sometime in February, 1934; that the next time he saw him was a week or ten days after Fred Goetz was assassinated. He stated that at this time he lived with them for about two weeks; that during this period a man, whom Williamson described as age 32, height 5'7", weight 145 lb., medium brown hair, medium complexion, whose first name is Elmer, came to the apartment on numerous occasions and drove away with Monty. (This party no doubt is Elmer Farmer of Bensonville, Illinois, whom this office knows is very friendly with Monty Carter as well as the other members of the Barker-Karpis gang). Williamson stated that this man, Elmer, occasionally came to the house in a Marmon coupe and in some instances he observed him driving a 1931 or 1932 Buick coupe.



Agents questioned Williamson as to why Monty Carter remained at his home for two weeks at this time, whereupon Williamson stated that to his knowledge Monty was endeavoring to collect some money which was due him, after which he intended to return to Phoenix, Arizona. He also stated at this time that he and Goetz jointly owned some real estate and that he was endeavoring to sell this property. Williamson advised that he does not know whether Monty collected the money due him or whether he sold the above mentioned property but he stated that when he left Chicago around the first part of April, 1934, he had a considerable amount of money in his possession.

Williamson continued, stating that Monty Carter and his family moved to Appleton, Wisconsin during May of 1934 and rented a cottage on Lake Winnebago, immediately outside of the city limits of Appleton. In this connection Joe stated that the Carters moved to Appleton at the invitation of J. T. McCann, who is owner of the National Finance Company in Appleton; that they remained in Appleton until October 1, 1934, when Mrs. Carter and the children returned to Phoenix, Arizona, in order that the children could start school there. Williamson advised that Monty purchased a new 1934 model Pontiac sedan in Appleton, Wisconsin, and he believes that Monty paid cash for same; that when Mrs. Carter and the children left Appleton for Phoenix, he and his wife accompanied them in the Pontiac car; that it took them one week to make the trip to Phoenix and he left immediately after his arrival there, leaving his wife with the Carters for a few days.

Williamson further stated that when he arrived in Chicago on or about October 10, 1934, Monty came to his place of employment and inquired concerning the trip to Phoenix and whether the children had started in school. On this occasion Williamson noticed that Monty was accompanied by a man in a Chrysler sedan who remained sitting in the car; that he does not know the identity of this man and Monty did not tell him who he was.

He further stated that Monty telephoned him at the garage in which he works three times the following week, and he distinctly recalls that one of these telephone calls was made from Elmhurst, Illinois; that in each instance Monty inquired whether Mrs. Williamson had returned to Chicago from Phoenix as yet, and it appeared to Williamson that Monty was somewhat worried about his family.

Joe further stated that the last time he heard from Monty Carter was on or about October 15, 1934, and he is unable to explain why he has not contacted him since that time.

Joe continued, stating that on or about October 22, 1934, Mrs. Carter and the two children arrived at their home at 108 North Lamon Street, and at this time Mrs. Carter advised them that they had to leave Phoenix, Arizona rather hurriedly as she had received information from a neighbor that two Government men had been inquiring about Monty; that upon receipt of this information, she immediately sent a telegram to Monty care of J. T. McCann at Appleton, Wisconsin, informing him of the Government's inquiry concerning him and since that time she has not received any word from him; that she became extremely worried about Monty and for this reason she sold her Pontiac car and other effects and proceeded to Chicago for the purpose of locating Monty. Mr. Williamson further advised that Mrs. Carter requested him and his wife to take care of the children until she was able to locate Monty, after which she would take them off of their hands and pay them well for their trouble; that three days after their arrival at 108 North Lamon Street, Mrs. Carter requested Mrs. Williamson to accompany her to downtown Chicago to purchase some clothes for the children; that while at Marshall Field's, Mrs. Carter bade Mrs. Williamson goodbye and told her to take care of the children until she returned, as she was going away to find Monty. According to Williamson, this was the last time that he and his wife saw or heard from Veva.

Joe further stated that his wife placed the children in a public school the following week; that on or about November 24, 1934 at 11:30 P. M. a woman unknown to him and his wife called at their home and said that she was a friend of the Carters and that they wanted to see the children; further, that Mrs. Williamson should have the children ready at 7:00 o'clock the following night, after which she should walk west with them on Washington Boulevard, where someone would pick them up in a car. Williamson stated that after these instructions were given, this unknown woman left.

Williamson stated that on the following night at 7:00 o'clock Mrs. Williamson dressed the children and walked west on Washington Boulevard with them as instructed; that when they reached the intersection of LeMoynes Street and Washington Boulevard, a black sedan bearing two men stopped at the curb opposite them and the man in the front seat called to young Carter; that the boy apparently recognized the man, as he immediately ran towards the car and entered it. Williamson further stated that the girl followed immediately behind him and likewise entered the car, whereupon the sedan pulled away; that Mrs. Williamson called to them, asking when the children would return, and as she recalls, the man in the front seat stated that they would be back in a few days. However, they have not been seen or heard from the children since that time, and it is Williamson's belief that they

are now with their parents. He further stated that he still has in his possession the children's clothes as well as some effects of Mrs. Carter; that should he receive any word from anyone concerning the disposition of these clothes, he will immediately communicate with the Chicago Division office.

With reference to Fred Goetz alias George Zeigler, Williamson advised that he had known him for approximately two years as George Zeigler; that he frequently accompanied Monty Carter to his home at 108 North Lamon Street, and that he was always under the impression that Zeigler was a landscape gardener although he suspected that he was also in the bootleg racket with Monty. He advised that he knows Irene Dorsey, Goetz' wife, but that he has not seen her for almost a year; that Irene lived with them for a short while during the latter part of 1933. He further stated that Monty was very devoted to Fred Goetz and when Goetz was killed, Monty did everything in his power to learn of his assassins.

Williamson promised his fullest cooperation in aiding the Chicago Division office to locate Monty Carter, and in this connection faithfully stated that he will communicate with agent Madala should he receive any word whatsoever concerning him or his family.

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During July of this year an individual known to Special Agent R. D. Brown as [redacted] came to the Chicago Division office, accompanied by Lieutenant Kerr of the Chicago Police Department. Lieutenant Kerr had previously advised that he had found [redacted] to be a very valuable and reliable informant, possibly the most valuable informant he had ever had. Kerr further stated that [redacted] could be relied upon and had some information to offer.

On this occasion [redacted] advised he is well acquainted with and has some connection with Elmer Farmer of Bensenville, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago, located approximately twenty-two miles from the Chicago Division office. The town of Bensenville is located on the Northwestern Railroad and is a terminal point. Its population is approximately 1,500. He stated that Farmer is a man about thirty years of age, 5' 6" or 7" in height, medium build, with rather broad shoulders, dark complexion and sometimes wears a small black mustache. He also stated that Farmer has a new Chrysler sedan; that Farmer often hires wanted men either at Bensenville or Elmhurst, Illinois, and is considered a clearing house for many wanted criminals; that he supplies them with machine guns or on occasion makes trips to various cities to secure machine guns belonging to gangsters, bringing them to Chicago for them. On this occasion he stated he was well acquainted with Fred Goetz alias George Zeigler; that he has seen Alvin Karpis in company with George Zeigler before Zeigler's death during the Spring of 1934; that he has seen Volney Davis at Elmer Farmer's place in Bensenville, Illinois, which is a saloon and gambling place located directly across from the Northwestern Railroad shops. He also stated on this occasion that Elmer [redacted] recently informed him that he was hiding a fellow by the name of Monty, [redacted] advised that he did not believe he knows the identity of this Monty but is of the opinion that "Monty must be awfully hot" and that every precaution was being taken by Farmer not to disclose his whereabouts to anyone.

Approximately a week after this interview had taken place [redacted] was again contacted by Special Agent R. D. Brown and advised that the individual referred to as "Monty" was now in hiding somewhere in Green Bay County, Wisconsin, located near Green Bay or Appleton, Wisconsin. He advised he would secure further information and submit it to the Chicago Division office. When interviewed [redacted] stated there was no way in which Agent could contact him; that he, [redacted] would communicate with the Chicago Division office whenever he was able to be interviewed. No further word was received from [redacted] until 12/19/34 on which date Special Agent R. D. Brown received a telephone call from a woman who refused to give her name, but stated she had been requested by [redacted] to call Randolph 6226 and advise Mr. Brown to visit him in Room 517 at the West Side Hospital, 1850 West Harrison Street.

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Special Agent Brown proceeded to the West Side Hospital and in Room 517 found [redacted] to be a patient there. [redacted] advised he had been in this hospital for approximately three weeks, having had an automobile accident, during which his back had been broken; that it would be necessary for him to remain in the hospital in a cast for another six weeks before he could leave. [redacted] apologized for not getting in touch with Agent sooner, but advised that State police were looking for him on a charge which he refused to reveal. He stated that he wanted to furnish Agent the information that he had learned; that the Monty he had referred to previously was Monty Carter. He was shown a photograph of Bolton alias Monty Carter and advised this is the man to whom he had reference. He advised he now recalls having seen this man on numerous occasions with Fred Goetz for approximately a year previous to Goetz' death in March, 1934. He also stated that Bolton, whom he knows as Monty was a very close associate of Elmer Farmer; that he has not seen Monty since the early summer of 1934, but has heard Elmer Farmer speak of him; that he has no idea concerning Monty's present whereabouts, but stated that Elmer Farmer would undoubtedly know where to locate him.

Apparently [redacted] has had some slot machine dealings with Elmer Farmer and is not very friendly toward him at the present time. He suggested to Agent that if the Division of Investigation desired to locate Carter to quietly pick up Elmer Farmer and that Farmer would talk in time. He stated that Farmer is deeply involved with police at Elmhurst and Bensenville, Illinois, and also with County officials of that county; that he will probably reveal Carter's present whereabouts, if enough pressure is put on him. He indicated Elmer Farmer is guilty of fraud in connection with his income tax returns. He also stated that Farmer spends very little time at his place in Bensenville, where he has been residing for six or seven years with a woman who is not his wife, and whose correct name he, [redacted] does not know. He advised Farmer's brother Jim attends to the saloon at Bensenville; that Elmer Farmer is now greatly infatuated with a young girl who is a waitress at Jack Olson's place, a barbecue restaurant located on Irving Park Boulevard across from the Country Club, just west of Elmhurst Road at Elmhurst, Illinois; that Elmer eats all of his meals at this barbecue stand and spends the greater part of his evenings at this place with this girl. He was unable to give the name of this girl, but stated she is the only "good looking" girl who works at this place. He suggested that Elmer Farmer could be taken for questioning shortly after leaving this barbecue stand and no one would know of his detention. He again expressed his belief that Farmer would gladly talk concerning the location of Monty Carter if he were properly approached.

He stated that it is his understanding that Bolton alias Monty Carter is now in the vicinity of Chicago with his family, but he was unable to furnish any further information and stated he would probably be unable to furnish any further information of value until his release from the hospital.

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asked for no money in payment for his information, other than to state that he expected a reasonable reward should his information concerning Elmer Farmer be of assistance in locating Bolton alias Carter. He also suggested that Farmer would probably be able to furnish important information concerning the location of members of the Karpis-Barker gang, as they trust him implicitly.

On this occasion he also inquired as to whether or not the Division of Investigation had been able to learn where victim Bremer was held during his confinement. He then advised that he had heard rumors in the vicinity of Bensenville from underworld characters that a kidnaped man had been held at Itaska, Illinois, which is located about four miles from Bensenville, during the early winter of 1934; that the hideout was arranged by Elmer Farmer. will be interviewed from time to time during his confinement in the West Side Hospital in order to cultivate his friendship and seek further cooperation from him. It is believed he will be an exceptionally valuable contact upon his release from that hospital.

On December 1, 1934, a memorandum from Special Agent George Costello of the Butte, Montana, office, was submitted to the Chicago Division office, advising that on that date he received a telephone call from Special Agent in Charge Dickason, requesting him to leave Glasgow, where he had been stepping for several weeks to watch developments at the Roundup Tavern, a roadhouse reported to belong to subject Volney Davis and being operated by Corey Bales, to proceed on other Division work. Agent Costello advised he had made arrangements with his confidential informants at Glasgow and vicinity to advise the Butte Division office immediately should he obtain any information with reference to Volney Davis.

On December 10, 1934, another memorandum was received from Special Agent George Costello, advising he had returned to Glasgow, Montana, and had been furnished by Assistant Postmaster Pease with two letters. One letter was addressed to Harry C. Stanley, brother of Edna Murray, at Cardin, Oklahoma. The other letter was addressed to Volney Davis, at Glasgow, Montana, with no return address. The letter to Volney Davis was postmarked Aurora, Illinois, and was accompanied by two handwriting specimens of Volney Davis and was not opened, but no identification was effected.

Special Agent Costello further advised that Assistant Postmaster Pease informed him that Harry C. Stanley (brother of Edna Murray) called at the Glasgow Post Office on December 9, 1934, and left a forwarding address, it being Box 64, Cardin, Oklahoma. This action indicated that the Stanleys intend to return to Cardin, Oklahoma.

On 12/16/34 another memorandum was received from Special Agent Costello, advising that on that date he had interviewed his confidential informant at [redacted] who advised he had had a conversation with Corey Bales a few days previous to that time, at which time Bales said he was not making any money at the Roundup Tavern and was badly in need of money at the time; that Harry Stanley had left Glasgow, Montana, to go to some unknown point to raise some money in order to keep the tavern open. It is the informant's opinion that Harry Stanley has either gone to some point in Oklahoma or Kansas to contact Volney Davis, who is known to this informant as Curly Hanson.

Agent Costello advised he had arranged with his informant to keep in touch with Corey Bales and should Harry Stanley return to Glasgow, to advise the Butte Division office. Agent Costello's confidential informant will undoubtedly know as soon as Stanley returns and will then have another conversation with Bales and may learn the present location of Volney Davis. In all probability, Stanley will attempt to contact Davis in order to secure enough money to keep the Roundup Tavern open throughout the winter. It should be noted that this tavern was built as a result of money furnished by Volney Davis.



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The surveillance at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has been continued by Special Agents R. L. Jones and W. R. Walsh since the submission of the last report by the Chicago Division office on 12/17/34.

On 12/19/34 [REDACTED] communicated with the Chicago Division office by telephone, advising that on that morning she had received a letter from subject Volney Davis postmarked "Springfield, Illinois, December 18, 1934", at 3:00 P.M. No return address appeared on the letter. The letter reads as follows:

"My darling H.

Just a line to let you know I may be a little late with your Christmas present, but I won't forget you. Sure would like to see you. I am O.K. and getting along alright. Excuse this short note and I will do better next time."

Up to the date of the writing of this report [REDACTED] has received no further communication from subject Davis. However, the letter indicates that he expects to either contact her soon or mail her Christmas gift in the near future.

At 2:00 o'clock on the morning of December 19, 1934, confidential informant [REDACTED] telephonically communicated with Special Agent R. D. Brown, at Chicago, Illinois, advising Volney Davis had been in his place earlier that evening; that Davis inquired if he was "hot"; that he, [REDACTED] replied that he was "hot" and thereupon Davis immediately left, advising he was going to Chicago. b7c b7d

Immediately upon receipt of this information Special Agents Jones and Walsh were advised to be on the lookout for Davis at [REDACTED]

Special Agent B. M. Hirsch submitted the following memorandum with reference to his interview with [REDACTED] on December 19, 1934:

"On the early morning of December 19, 1934, Special Agent R. D. Brown received a telephone call from [REDACTED] to the effect that "Curly" Hanson, alias Volney Davis, had visited [REDACTED] in Aurora about 6:30 P.M. on the evening of December 18, 1934.



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Special Agents E. H. Williams, J. B. Dickerson and B. M. Hirsh interviewed [redacted] at Aurora on the evening of December 19, 1934, at which time [redacted] advised that "Curly", as Davis is known to him, [redacted] the previous evening at approximately 6:30 P.M.; that at the time "Curly" appeared [redacted] was in conversation with one James Plain, attorney, who is the son of the owner of the premises at 45 Main Street. [redacted] stated that he suggested to Plain that he make efforts to notify the Aurora police but Plain refused to follow that suggestion; that shortly thereafter he went and spoke with "Curly"; that "Curly" asked him [redacted] "if anyone was looking for him;" that [redacted] asked him what he meant. Curly then replied "You know what I mean. Am I hot?" [redacted] replied "You're hotter than Hell."

The conversation between [redacted] and "Curly" only lasted for some two or three minutes. [redacted] stated that he asked "Curly" at that time where he was bound for and "Curly" told him he was going to Chicago to see his wife who was there. During the entire time "Curly" was in the tavern he kept his hand in his right pocket as if he were fingering a revolver of some sort. [redacted] also stated that "Curly" appeared to be quite scared when [redacted] advised him that he was being looked for all over the country and was "really hot".

[redacted] further stated that "Curly" backed out of the establishment, not losing sight of him, [redacted] at any time; that he climbed into a Ford V-8 black or dark blue sedan, the license tags of which he was unable to note; that there were two men and two women in the car; that he recognized one woman as being "Rabbit", Edna Murray, who is the wife of "Curly"; that he was unable to recognize any of the other occupants of the car. The car immediately drove away. [redacted] stated that "Curly" was wearing a light brown suit and felt hat; that he was wearing no coat at that time. He further advised that "Curly" was wearing a small light brown mustache; that the photograph of "Curly" in the possession of Agents was an excellent resemblance of "Curly" except that he has no scar on his upper lip. [redacted] further advised that "Rabbit's" hair is now distinctly blonde.

Agents, accompanied by [redacted] visited the Fox Gardens, located on North Lake Street [redacted] for the purpose of observing whether or not "Curly" was still in that vicinity. Agents were also shown a small house which formerly had been visited regularly by "Curly" and at which place he was well known. No activity was noted there, nor were any cars visible.

Agents also visited the tavern of Bill Grady, located at Montgomery, Illinois, some five miles south of Aurora. Mr. Grady, upon interview, stated that he has not seen "Curly" for some months past. Mr. Grady also furnished Agents with a Christmas greeting card which he received from "Gip" and "Ann", from Glasgow, Montana. "Gip" is [REDACTED]. The instant card is being retained in the file at the Chicago Division office.

[REDACTED] explained that "Curly" was well known to one Hobson, who operates a horse race booking establishment in Streator, Illinois, and that there would be no great difficulty in identifying Hobson; further, that one Ann Olson, waitress in the Aurora Hotel, Aurora, was acquainted with "Curly". It was [REDACTED] belief that Ann would be able to furnish information concerning possible persons known by "Curly" and whom he might visit in Chicago, Illinois.

Both [REDACTED] and Grady advised Agents that Myrtle Eaton had been a constant visitor to the different taverns in Aurora, at which time she usually accompanied "Curly" and Edna Murray; that it was their definite belief that Myrtle Eaton was presently living in Des Moines, Iowa, and that she was presently going with one "Go About" Riley of Des Moines.

Agents Dickerson and Hirsh interviewed Miss Ann Olson, who stated that she has had no word, nor has she seen "Curly" recently. She further stated that she knows of no persons or places that "Curly" might visit in Chicago, Illinois. Miss Olson stated that friends of hers in Glasgow, Montana, had written her earlier this summer that "Curly" had been at that place. She had recently written to her friends, whom she named as "Bailey" and "Gregg" at Glasgow for the purpose of finding out whether "Curly" had recently visited them. She stated, however, that she has had no response to this letter. She did advise that she had recently received a Christmas card from her friends which made no reference to instant matter.

[REDACTED] during the time he was in the company of Agents, continually reiterated that he was against all kidnapers. In this connection he advised that two unsuccessful attempts had been made to kidnap him during the past years and that on both occasions he had received severe beatings, which have affected his health up to the present time. He emphasized the fact that he was 100% in favor of aiding and assisting this Division in apprehending any such persons. He stated that he would advise this office immediately if he gained any new information concerning the whereabouts of "Curly".

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It will be noted from the information furnished by [REDACTED] that he apparently is very much afraid of Davis and due to this reason did not attempt to detain him or cooperate with the Chicago Division office in effecting his apprehension.

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The following information was submitted by Special Agents C. G. Campbell and C. O. Hurt while at Miami, Florida and vicinity, contacting various informants and operators of various gambling houses and roadhouses in an effort to determine the location of the subjects in this case. On December 28, 1934, Special Agents Hurt and Campbell left Miami, Florida and proceeded to San Francisco, California, on more urgent official business. These Agents advised that they had daily contact with informants [REDACTED] and had visited at various golf courses and gambling houses in that vicinity, but had failed to obtain any definite information as to the location of members of this gang. They reported that Duke Randall, present owner and driver of the Ford coupe, which was formerly owned by subject Alvin Karpis at Cleveland, Ohio, bearing 1934 Florida license tags No. 202978, is still residing at the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, and is employed at the Information and Change window No. 30, at the Biscayne Kennel Club. b7c b7d

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois, dated 12/17/34, particularly to the section dealing with the surveillance of the apartment occupied by Mr. and Mrs. George Guymon, sister and brother-in-law of Clara Gray, wife of Russell Gibson. It will be noted that this surveillance was commenced November 19, 1934, by Special Agents W. C. Ryan and T. M. McDade. A telephone tap was also located in this apartment on the telephone used by Mrs. Guymon. The only important messages received as a result of this tap are being listed in this report.

During a conversation on 12/10/34 over this telephone, b7c

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During the surveillance at this address it was learned through observation that Mrs. Guymon takes almost daily trips with a man driving a maroon colored Chevrolet coupe, bearing Illinois license No. 1-258-163, which license is registered in the name of Mrs. T. H. Fenton, 7544 Saginaw Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. This man calls Mrs. Guymon regularly at about 10:15 A.M. on the telephone and leaves with her about an hour later. They generally return about 3:00 P.M. From conversations heard over this telephone tap, b7c

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At 10:20 P.M. on 12/23/34 Special Agents T. M. McDade and F. G. Tillman followed Mrs. Guymon and her brother Frank to the Chicago Union Station, where they departed for Kansas City, Missouri. The Kansas City Division office was advised of their departure and the time of the arrival of their train and later reported the arrival of Mrs. Guymon and her brother and the fact that they proceeded to 502 Myrtle Street, the home of Mrs. Guymon and her brother Frank.

On 12/27/34 the janitor at 626 Waveland Avenue, former residence of subject Gibson and Clara Gray, called the Chicago Division office and advised that a letter had been received addressed to Mrs. R. Gray. Special Agent R. D. Brown obtained this letter which was unsealed and noted that same was a Christmas greeting card from the Dunn Brothers Warehouse, Inc., 6542 North Clark Street. It will be noted from previous reports that the Dunn Brothers Warehouse, Inc., has two

offices, one on the South side and one on the North side of Chicago. It will also be noted that the Dunn Brothers Warehouse, Inc., now has the furniture of Kate Barker in their storehouse on Cottage Grove Avenue. It appears that this moving and storage company is known to subject Gibson as well as to the members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

A telephone call was received on December 4, 1934 from Special Agent in Charge Werni Hanni at the Omaha, Nebraska Office, advising that an informant at Des Moines, Iowa, who was formerly a driver for Candy Eaton, had informed Special Agent O. C. Dewey that he had been in touch with Bud Joyce, whose deceased wife was a sister of Myrtle Eaton, and that he had learned from him that Myrtle Eaton was now supposed to be with "Doc" Eaton at Burlington, Wisconsin, where the latter is using the name of Hubbard. Mr. Hanni further stated that the informant told Agent Dewey that there was a party referred to as "Sonny" from Kansas City, Missouri, in Des Moines in the early part of December who was called to Burlington, Wisconsin by "Doc" Eaton together with several other members of this gang; that "Baby Face" Nelson is alleged to have been there. The informant described "Sonny" as being in his late twenties, short, heavy set, with gray hair, and wearing a gray cap, with dark blue overcoat while in Des Moines. The informant stated the hideout in Burlington, Wisconsin, is along some river there.

"Doc" Eaton has been interviewed on two occasions previous to the receipt of this information at Burlington, Wisconsin, and had denied knowing any of the members of this gang.

On December 4, 1934, Special Agents D. P. Sullivan, A. A. Muzzey and R. D. Brown proceeded to Burlington, Wisconsin, where E. J. Boyle, City Attorney, who was alleged to be reliable, was interviewed in his office on Main Street. Boyle advised that Eaton, alias Hubbard, has been in Burlington for the last year and a half; that his profession is bootlegging in spite of the fact that Wisconsin is now a wet state. He stated that Eaton has a brother-in-law by the name of Russell O'Neil, who operates a tavern at 575 Chestnut Street, Burlington, with whom he, Boyle, is well acquainted. Boyle left his office and conferred confidentially with O'Neil, at which time O'Neil advised him that "Doc" Eaton makes frequent trips to Des Moines, Iowa; that he has never seen any strangers return with him. He further advised Mr. Boyle that he had heard that Eaton was once married to a girl by the name of Myrtle, but that he has never met this woman and has never heard that she has visited Burlington, Wisconsin.

Boyle then called into his office E. J. Cook, a young attorney, whose cousin is a maid at Eaton's home. Eaton now resides at 396 Perkins Blvd., with his wife, Margaret, who is his bride of about a year. Boyle advised that Cook is a very reliable young attorney, and that he would do anything he could to assist the Government. Cook stated that his cousin, Doris Pfantler, age 15, is a maid at Eaton's home; that she is a very reliable young lady, and if approached in his, Cook's presence, would

give any information desired.

Doris Pfantler was then interviewed in Cook's presence at her home after she had returned from the Eaton home for the day. She advised that she had been employed at the Eaton home for the past four months in the capacity of a nurse maid for their young baby. She was shown the photographs of the various suspects in this case, and after viewing them carefully, she stated that she had never seen any of them in the Eaton home. She was closely questioned as to whether or not she had heard Eaton or his wife speak of Eaton's former wife, Myrtle. She stated that she believed she had heard the name Myrtle mentioned by Mrs. Eaton, and that Mrs. Eaton appears to be hostile to this woman since she was Eaton's former wife, but that she had never heard anything that would indicate that Eaton ever sees this woman any more, or that he visits her. However, she stated that "Doc" Eaton frequently makes trips to Des Moines, Iowa, but she believes that he goes there on business; that he has never taken his wife with him to Des Moines. She further stated that Eaton no longer had their place on Browns Lake, located a short distance from the town of Burlington. Miss Pfantler was very cooperative, and after being given the Chicago Division Office telephone number, she promised to call immediately should she learn anything which would indicate that "Doc" is in contact with Myrtle Eaton.

Agents then returned to Mr. Boyle's office and Mr. Boyle stated that he had contacted Alvin Edwards, Foreman, Nestles Can Plant, who is a close friend of "Doc" Eaton, and had casually inquired regarding a girl named Myrtle visiting "Doc" Eaton. He stated that he was unable to obtain any information from Edwards other than that "Doc" Eaton had served a long term in the Minnesota State Penitentiary, and that he was making his living by bootlegging.

Agents then interviewed A. H. Mueller, Mail Carrier, who carries mail to 396 Perkins Blvd. Mueller advised that he does not recall having recently seen any mail delivered to the Eatons, alias Hubbard, home postmarked Des Moines, Iowa; that the Hubbards received very little mail. He said he would be on the lookout for strangers at the Eaton home and would advise the Chicago Division Office should any appear.

Carrier Mueller advised that Eaton, alias Hubbard, spends a great deal of time at the Jackson Club, Highway 120, and at the Harrington Place, located on the north side of Browns Lake, and operated by "Big Ed" Stebel. Agents visited these two places, but were unable to locate any



suspicious automobiles, or view persons who in any way answered to the descriptions of the suspects and Subjects of this case.

Attorney Cook and City Attorney Boyle both advised that they would be on the lookout in Burlington, Wisconsin, for strangers accompanying "Doc" Eaton, and that they would immediately advise the Chicago Division Office. Both stated that they would very much like to get rid of "Doc" Eaton; that Eaton is a close friend of members of the Burlington Police Department, whose members they branded as being "all wrong". City Attorney Boyle advised that his hands are tied in Burlington so far as prosecution is concerned due to irregularities on the part of officers of the Police Department.

No further inquiry was made, Agents believing that should Myrtle Eaton, or other members of this gang appear in Burlington, Wisconsin, the Chicago Division Office will be advised by either Attorney Cook or City Attorney Boyle, who appear to be trustworthy and cooperative.

On the evening of December 23, 1934, Robert Delgado, former inmate of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary and former cell-mate of Alvin Karpis, called at the Chicago Division Office, at which time he was intoxicated. Special Agent Brown attempted to obtain from him a coherent story, but his condition was such that it was impossible. Agent gathered that Delgado wanted to inform the Chicago Division Office that he had received information on the night before at "Doc" Stacci's place, the Club Spanish, located at Roosevelt and Mannheim Roads, to the effect that Alvin Karpis was to meet his mother at some unknown place in Chicago between 9 and 12 A.M. on Christmas morning, December 25, 1934. Delgado wanted Agent to accompany him to some place, which he would not reveal, in Maywood, Illinois, where he stated he would be able to secure information relative to the meeting place.

Due to Delgado's condition Agent refused to accompany him, and requested him to return when he was sober. However, he has not made his appearance at the Chicago Division Office since that time. He was too intoxicated to advise definitely where he could be reached in the future.

While in Kansas City, Missouri, on December 7, 1934, Special Agent J. P. Farland, who is attached to the Kansas City Office, introduced Special Agent R. C. Suran of the Chicago Division Office to one [redacted], who had recently been released from the Kansas State Penitentiary, where he had served a six year sentence for burglary. Agent Farland had known [redacted] by reputation through his contact with Mr. Stubblefield, Deputy Warden of the Kansas State Penitentiary.

The information was to the effect that [redacted] was the person who concealed weapons inside of the Kansas State Penitentiary at the instance of Harvey Bailey, who later used these weapons in effecting his escape from that institution on May 30, 1933. [redacted] used as an informant by the authorities at the Kansas State Penitentiary and has been confined in solitary confinement since the Memorial Day break at the prison, principally for his own protection. b7c b7d

[redacted] story to Agent Farland and Agent Suran was to the effect that the guns used by Harvey Bailey and others in effecting their escape from the Kansas State Penitentiary were smuggled into the prison at the instance of Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker during February of 1933. [redacted] is supposed to have concealed these weapons in the twine factory for Alvin Karpis. For this service, [redacted] claims, he was to receive sufficient funds to effect his release from the penitentiary. He claims Karpis and Freddie Barker double-crossed him on this and that he is now ready and willing to effect their apprehension.

[redacted] states that he served time in the Kansas State Penitentiary during the time Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis were confined therein and that he was very friendly with these individuals. He further states that Clarence Eno, who is presently confined in the Kansas State Penitentiary serving a sentence for bank robbery, directed him to an individual in Elgin, Illinois, through whom he hopes to make contact with one Eddie Woodruff alias Clyde Nimerick, who also served time in the Kansas State Penitentiary with [redacted].

Clarence Eno was interviewed by Agent Suran several months ago in connection with Karpis and Barker and he professes to be an intimate friend of theirs, but refused to disclose any information concerning their possible whereabouts. According to [redacted] Clarence Eno is ignorant of the fact that he gave the authorities at the Kansas State Penitentiary information concerning the Memorial Day break or has any intention of assisting at the present time in the apprehension of Karpis and Barker. [redacted] stated that it is his information that Clyde Nimerick, whom he knows as Eddie Woodruff, is presently in Detroit, Michigan, and

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that he believed Karpis and Barker can be located through Nimerick.

After the return of Agent Suran from Kansas City on the morning of December 8, 1934, [redacted] called at the office and stated that he was proceeding to Elgin, Illinois, for the purpose of contacting the individual to whom he had been referred by Clarence Eno. He claimed he could not recall the name of this individual, but that he knew his location. He stated that he would contact Agent Suran within a day or two and report his progress.

On December 13, 1934, a telephone call was received by Special Agent Val C. Zimmer from Joliet, Illinois, to the effect that an individual named [redacted] claimed he had been with members of the Karpis-Barker gang and was poisoned by them. The following investigation was immediately conducted at Joliet, Illinois, by Special Agents R. Q. Suran and J. J. Metcalfe.

At Joliet, Illinois, Agent Metcalfe interviewed States Attorney William McCade, who advised that on the afternoon of December 13, 1934, the individual known as [redacted] walked into a roadhouse known as Powell's Mill on Lincoln Highway, about two miles southeast of Plainfield, Illinois, which is in the vicinity of Joliet. He was apparently only half conscious, and was immediately taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in Joliet, where he told a rambling story about having been in the company of members of the Karpis-Barker gang, including Fred Barker, Dr. Moran, and John Hamilton. He claimed that Hamilton drove the car and that they went through Elgin, Illinois to Joliet, where in the vicinity of either the old or the new penitentiary, they visited two Italians, and that while they were visiting these people he was poisoned, after which he did not remember anything more. He had in his possession a piece of paper with the notation: "Suran, Randolph 6226", and in his clothes were the names: "William Sehardi" and "Edward Bates".

Mr. McCade furnished Agent Metcalfe with the piece of paper bearing Suran's name and telephone number, and this is in the Chicago file. Agent Metcalfe then made arrangements to interview the patient at the hospital, every precaution being taken to avoid the newspaper reporters, which were at that time gathered in the hallway at the hospital outside of the Ward Room where the patient was.

The patient, who was found to be [redacted] former convict of the Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, was interviewed by Agent Metcalfe, there being no one else present at the time of this interview. Mr. Powers, an Assistant States Attorney, who brought

Agent into the room, was not present during the interview.

[redacted] stated that when he was released a short time ago from the Kansas State Penitentiary, he was referred to the Kansas City Office of the Division by the Deputy Warden of the prison, and that as a result of conferences at the Kansas City Office, he came to Chicago in an effort to find members of the Karpis-Barker gang in order to advise the Division of their whereabouts. He claimed that he had talked to one Clarence Eno, a fellow prisoner at the Kansas State Penitentiary, the said Eno having been sent to prison to serve a life term for a bank robbery at Lincoln, Kansas, and that this Clarence Eno directed him to a certain address in Elgin, Illinois. [redacted] did not recall the exact whereabouts of the house in Elgin to which he was sent, but he remembered that it was on Wellington Street. This apparently was erroneous as [redacted] undoubtedly meant that Eno was sentenced for a bank robbery at Wellington, Kansas, and that the house to which Eno directed him in Elgin was on Lincoln Street. [redacted] stated that the house in Elgin was a roadhouse and that a boy by the name of Joe Glazier or some similar name, stayed there.

[redacted] went to Elgin from Chicago, Illinois, on Saturday, December 8, 1934, by means of the Greyhound Bus. He spent several days in Elgin trying to find this address, and finally located the house in question. On approaching the house, he observed a tan or cream-colored Ford V-8 Sedan with wheels of the same color, and a spare tire, but no trunk, in the rear, standing in front of the roadhouse. In the car sat Eddie Woodruff, alias Clyde Nimerick. Woodruff greeted him and told him to go into the roadhouse, but to be very careful because other members of the gang were there and might mistake him for a stranger. [redacted] claims that he then went into the house and met Alvin Karpis and Freddie Barker, and that in company with these two and Woodruff, he went to a roadhouse or tavern just outside of Elgin, which he thought was on the St. Charles Road.

He described this tavern as a log cabin structure, operated by a man by the name of Bitz, saying that he saw this man's name on the outside of the place. As a matter of fact, this description seems to fit a tavern on U.S. 20, (Lake Street) at which place Blatz beer is served and a sign with the word Blatz may be seen hanging out in front of the place. No doubt [redacted] saw this Blatz sign and thought it read Bitz; and that this was the name of the proprietor. Agent Metcalfe asked him if this place could have been on U.S. 20, on the way to Chicago, and he replied that it could have been as he was not at all sure on which

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highway it stood. [redacted] claimed that the car was driven by Eddie Woodruff, and that Karpis sat beside the driver while he and Freddie Barker sat in the back, and that Barker had in his hands a sawed-off shotgun, and in the rear of the car there were also a sub-machine gun and four or five cases of canned goods. These gangsters told [redacted] that they were not staying at the roadhouse in Elgin, but that they had a hideout somewhere in the woods in that vicinity. [redacted] denied that Hamilton or Moran were present, but stated that Karpis, Barker and Woodruff mentioned the names of Hamilton and Moran in the course of conversation.

With further reference to the car in which they rode, he stated that this car appeared to have Wisconsin plates covering Illinois plates, and he said that when they came to the tavern out on the highway, the proprietor told him that these people were all right, that they were from Wisconsin and that he knew them. Beyond stating that the bartender was a short heavy-set man, [redacted] was unable to furnish any descriptions. They stayed at the tavern for a short while, after which they drove to a house where there were two Italians and these Italians resented the presence of [redacted], whereupon either the Italians or some member of the gang, poisoned the beer which was given to [redacted] to drink, as a result of which he became sick and nearly unconscious and was brought to the hospital.

This was the sum and substance of the story told by [redacted] he having nothing further to add, except to express a great anxiety to get out of the hospital as soon as possible and go into hiding for fear that he might be killed by the Karpis-Barker gang. He said he wondered why they had not killed him instead of trying to poison him. [redacted] was thoroughly instructed to keep his mouth shut, and not say anything further to anybody about this supposed incident. This concluded the interview and the investigation conducted in Joliet.

Apparently from the numerous newspaper stories which appeared in the newspapers of that evening and the next day [redacted] kept on talking to everybody who came to see him and in all told four or five different stories. One newspaper stated that he was placed in a strait-jacket, and another one said he was taken to the jail in Joliet. At the time Agent Metcalfe interviewed him, [redacted] smelled very much of wood alcohol, and it is firmly believed that he went out and got drunk and proceeded to relate a very imaginary story about where he had been and whom he had met.

The two names, "Bates" and "Sehardi", which were found in his clothes had no meaning whatever [redacted] stating that these were in the clothes at the time he obtained them.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Ryan in an effort to ascertain further information concerning Rose Curran, nee Glatzel, 249 North California Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, who is the paramour of "Father Tom" McFadden, uncle of Betty Tracy, Dr. Moran's fiancée.

Through the Collector's Office at the City Hall and the Secretary of State's Office at Springfield it has been determined that 1932 Model Ford, tudor sedan, motor #18135987, is registered to R. Glatzel, 714 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois, and 1934 Illinois license 345-001 and City Vehicle tag 150376 have been issued for this car.

Upon inquiry at Station "D", U. S. Post Office Branch, 515 South Western Avenue, Chicago, it was learned through Christ E. Baker, Carrier #1206, that inquiry was made about a year ago relative to the 249 North California Avenue address by Government agents. Mr. Baker said that it is his information that Rose Curran is the sweetheart of Eddie ("Father Tom") McFadden. He stated that Rose Curran still resides at the same address and is the only person to receive mail there for some time, although he recalls that some mail was delivered there for McFadden about a year ago. Baker said that he rarely sees anyone around the house and does not know if anyone is living there besides Rose Curran at the present time. He further advised that he had been noticing the mail he delivers there since the previous inquiry was made, and most of it has been local mail bearing no return addresses.

Since information has been received that Eddie McFadden and Rose Curran are in contact with Dr. Moran, arrangements were made to have cover on the 249 North California Avenue address, and a letter has been directed to the Postmaster in this regard. No results have been obtained from this mail cover to date, and any letter that has been received for McFadden at 249 North California Avenue.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois, dated December 17, 1934, and particularly to the section of that report dealing with the information looking towards the location of "Doc" Moran as a result of information furnished by [REDACTED] b7c b7d

[REDACTED] has been frequently interviewed since the date of this admission as stated in the report of reference, but he advised that his wife [REDACTED] has been unable to obtain any further information to date concerning Moran's present whereabouts, except that he is still reported to be on a farm, location unknown, in southwestern Indiana. [REDACTED] informed, and still has hopes of locating Moran for the Chicago Division Office, and he will continue his efforts. He will be contacted frequently for any information he may have.

[REDACTED] an informant who has previously furnished information to Agents of the Chicago Division Office, and particularly to Special Agent J. R. Welles, advised Agent Welles on December 11, 1934, that he had recently seen in a house located at 928 Ontario Street, Oak Park, Illinois, Dr. Joseph P. Moran, whom he has known for several years, and with whom he worked at the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois. Special Agent R. C. Suran conducted the following investigation in the vicinity of 928 Ontario Street, Oak Park, Illinois, for the purpose of determining the identity of the individuals now living at that address, and to further make an effort to determine if there was some logical way in which the address could be kept under surveillance. b7c b7d

This house is a two-story wood structure, having two front entrances entering from the east and west sides of the fore part of the house.

Efforts were made to ascertain if there were any apartments available directly across the street from this address, but it was determined that no vacancies were located in these buildings.

Mrs. Mark Edward Graham, who resides at 931 Ontario Street, was interviewed by Agent Suran. Mrs. Graham appeared to be willing to cooperate with this Office in this matter, and stated that she had had occasion to enter the building located at 928 Ontario Street in connection with her activities on behalf of the W.C.T.U. She stated that the building is owned by Mrs. Jack Herman, who is at present on



the local Democratic Committee and was employed at the Women's Reformatory at Dwight, Illinois; that the house is presently managed by a family by the name of Black, who have two children, one a crippled daughter, named Nadine, age 9 or 10, and one son, Jimmie, age 3 or 4. She stated that the building is divided into four or five two-room flats, and the Blacks reside in the flat on the lower floor in the front of the house, which can be entered by either of the entrances previously referred to in this statement. She stated that there was another young couple who resided in one of the flats in this building, this couple being the parents of a small baby; that in the flat immediately above that occupied by the Black family live a woman, about 25 years of age, and her husband, who is of about the same age. She stated that this woman's first name is Jean, and that she is red-headed. Mrs. Graham was unable to furnish the last name of this couple. She further advised that the Black family had managed this house for approximately two years, and had always resided in the apartment as previously stated.

Mrs. Graham was shown a photograph of Dr. Moran and she stated that she had never observed anyone answering to that description about the premises.

Mrs. Graham stated that it would be permissible for the Agents of the Division to use her basement in observing the address of 928 Ontario Street if it was considered advisable. She furnished the further information that the house adjacent to the address in question was occupied by Mr. T. R. Leth, Comptroller of the Oak Park Village, a substantial citizen, who could be relied upon.

Mr. T. R. Leth, when interviewed, stated that the only family he knew residing at 928 Ontario Street was the Black family, who managed the premises for the owner, Mrs. Jack Herman, who was active in the local Democratic politics, and at the present time had a State position. He stated that the building is composed of five or six two-room flats; further, that Mrs. Charles W. Glaser, who resides in the apartment house to the east of the address in question, kept her car in one of the garages in the rear of 928 Ontario Street, and would be in a better position to furnish information concerning the occupants thereof.

Mr. Leth was shown a photograph of Dr. Moran, but he was unable to identify it as being the likeness of any individual whom he had seen at 928 Ontario Street.

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Mrs. Charles W. Glaser was interviewed, and she advised that there were three two-room flats located on the first floor of the building at 928 Ontario Street, and three two-room flats located on the second floor; that the flats located on the first floor were entered through the front entrances previously described, but that it was necessary, in order to get to the flats upstairs, to enter from the outside staircase located in the rear of the building. She stated that on the first floor of the building the Black family reside, which was composed of man and wife and two children. On the east side a man and wife reside with their two children, two girls, ages 4 and 6; and on the west side on the first floor the flat was occupied by a family, but she did not know the number of persons in this family. Neither did she know their names. She advised that in the front flat on the second floor a young woman, with red hair, resided with her husband, and she did not know the identities of the individuals who occupied the other two flats on the top floor. She stated that the Black family had lived in their flat in that building for approximately two years, and that she had had occasion to visit the Blacks for the purpose of taking food to the daughter of the Blacks, who is suffering from infantile paralysis. She stated that she knows that it is necessary to enter the upstairs of the house from the rear entrances, as previously stated.

Mrs. Glaser was shown the photograph of Dr. Moran, and stated that she had never observed anybody on the premises who would answer to that description, and so far as she had been able to ascertain the Black family were law abiding citizens.

The impression was obtained from informant Joe Morbette that this house was occupied by one family, and it was considered advisable to reinterview him to ascertain if he was furnishing correct information. Joe Morbette had been arrested on December 16, 1934, by Detectives McInerney and O'Connor on an auto theft charge.

Joe Morbette was interviewed at the Auto Theft Bureau, Chicago Police Department, by Special Agent J. R. Welles and Agent Suran. He at this time stated that he had not advised Agent Welles that he had observed Dr. Moran in this house recently; that the last time he had observed Dr. Moran was in the Elliott Restaurant, across from the Westgate Hotel, about two weeks prior to his first interview with Agent Welles, at which time Dr. Moran advised him that he was residing at the address which was later designated by Morbette to be 928 Ontario Street. Morbette stated that the last time he was inside of the address at 928 Ontario Street was in May of 1933, at which time he was in the room which was entered from an entrance from the east side of the house, and in this room he saw Dr. Moran and three

or four other individuals; that Dr. Moran stated that he had two wounded men upstairs. Morbette stated that he entered the upstairs room by a staircase leading from the room which was occupied by Dr. Moran. He was unable to accurately describe the inside of the house, and stated that he was in only one room, and did not know whether the building was occupied by other individuals in different flats.

In view of the fact that Dr. Moran had not been observed in this building since May, 1933, and since it appears doubtful whether Morbette ever did observe him there, it was considered inadvisable to maintain a surveillance of the place.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John L. Madala on November 22, 23 and December 12, 1934.

While at the Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, on other official business, agent Madala visited Oliver A. Berg alias Izzy, one of the Subjects in this case, who is serving a sentence for the remainder of his natural life on a charge of highway robbery. It will be remembered that Subject Berg was previously interviewed by agents of this office, but at that time he refused to divulge any information pertinent to this case. He denied knowing the various members of the Barker-Karpis mob with the exception of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, Russell Gibson and James J. Wilson, and also disclaimed any knowledge whatsoever concerning the exchange of the Bremer ransom money through John J. "Boss" McLaughlin.

On agent Madala's first visit to the penitentiary, Subject Berg advised that he had given this matter considerable thought since he was re-committed to prison, and he arrived at the conclusion that it would be best for him to make a complete confession concerning his part in this case. He stated that in going over the details in this matter he cannot see how he violated any Federal statute. He further stated that he is contemplating applying for a pardon in the near future, and in this connection he definitely knows that he will be unable to obtain such a pardon while a Federal detainer is filed against him; that in view of this, he thought it advisable to make a complete statement of his part concerning the ransom money exchanged, which he hopes will vindicate him. Berg stated, however, that he will, under no consideration, testify in any Federal Court against any of the defendants in this case, as he is very much afraid of them. He further stated that should agent produce testimony in court against him as to the information provided by him, he will emphatically deny same.

Subject Berg stated that he was born at South Chicago, Illinois, in the early part of 1879 and is of American and Hungarian ancestry. He advised that his parents are deceased and that the only relatives living at the present time are his sister, Florence, who resides in Budapest, Hungary, and another sister, Mrs. Armin Kuhn, who is presently residing with her husband at 5248 North Winthrop Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He stated that he is a tool maker by trade, having worked at this occupation until he became 31 years of age; that he subsequently sold real estate for ten or eleven years and during the early days of prohibition he was connected with the bootleg racket and at that time was associated with Louis Alterie, Dean O'Banion, Johnny Shey, Johnny Phillips and Earl Wise, the latter four men having been killed in gangland fashion by the notorious Al Capone Syndicate within the past six years.

Berg further related that he was arrested in Chicago, Illinois in 1934 for violation of the National Prohibition Act and for which he received a sentence of five months in the County Jail at Woodstock, Illinois; that after his release he became associated with Elmer Dickholts and Elmer Mendelsohn, highway robbers, and in 1934 he, together with the two above mentioned, robbed a diamond salesman in Champaign County, Illinois. Berg stated that in making his getaway he was shot and wounded by a deputy sheriff at a point just above the heart; that Dickholts, Mendelsohn and he were arrested, and subsequently all pleaded guilty on a charge of highway robbery, whereupon they were sentenced to serve the remainder of their natural lives in the penitentiary. Berg stated that he was committed to the County Jail at Mahan, Illinois, but was subsequently transferred to the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, on December 15, 1934, and in November, 1935, his attorney was successful in obtaining a release for him on a writ of habeas corpus. He stated that a few months later the charges of robbery against him were dismissed by the court, and since that time he has been residing with his sister, Mrs. Armin Kuhn, at 5248 North Winthrop Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Berg advised that while he was incarcerated in the Illinois State Penitentiary, he became very friendly with Dr. Joseph P. Moran, who was serving a sentence for abortion; that Dr. Moran while in the penitentiary was a trusty in the hospital ward, and for a considerable length of time he treated him for heart trouble and for the gun shot wound above mentioned. He stated that in view of his frequent trips to the penitentiary hospital, he became very friendly with Dr. Joseph P. Moran and this friendship continued after they both were released from prison.

Continuing, Berg related that a few months after "Doc" Moran's release from the penitentiary, he opened an office in Maywood, Illinois, and took in with him as an assistant his cousin, James J. Wilson. Agent Madala exhibited a photograph of Subject James J. Wilson to Ollie Berg, and he positively identified same as the above mentioned person. Berg stated that Dr. Moran met with some difficulty in obtaining a license to practice medicine in this state in view of his previous criminal record, and in this connection Berg was successful, through his influence with certain political friends, in procuring the said license for him; that when Dr. Moran opened his office at Maywood, Illinois, he loaned him a considerable amount of money to purchase office furniture and other equipment, for which Dr. Moran is still indebted to him.

With reference to Subject Russell Gibson alias Slim Gray alias Slim Evans, Berg stated that he has known him by the name of Slim Evans since November, 1933; that he first met him in a bookie joint which was located around the corner from his home on Winthrop Avenue. Berg further stated that he spent a considerable amount of time in this bookie joint

as did Slim and they soon became very friendly; that during the winter of that year Slim and his wife, Clara, lived for a short time at 5248 North Winthrop Avenue, which place is a rooming house owned jointly by his sister, Mrs. Armin Kuhn, and himself. While Slim was living at this place, he acquainted him with Dr. Joseph P. Moran, who at that time was visiting Ollie almost daily. Ollie stated that Slim at that time was afflicted with syphilis, and when Slim became friendly with Dr. Moran, he placed himself under the doctor's care and began to take syphilis cure injections from him.

Continuing, Berg advised that on or about March 15, 1934, Dr. Joseph P. Moran called him at his home by telephone and inquired whether his sister had any vacant rooms available. In this connection he advised that there were two out of town friends of his at his office who desired two rooms for approximately one week; that these friends had had their hands severely burned due to a liquor still explosion, and that he was treating and taking care of them. He further stated that these men were bootleggers, and at this time he gave his assurance that he, Berg, would not have any trouble with them and further that they would pay him well for their brief stay at his place.

Berg advised agent Madala that he informed Dr. Moran to the effect that his sister had a few vacant rooms and suggested that his friends come over to see them. That evening Jimmie Wilson came to the house, being accompanied by two men whom he had never seen before. Berg advised that Jimmie introduced them to him as the men whom Dr. Moran had mentioned in his previous telephonic conversation with him. Ollie advised that he showed these men to their respective rooms and on this occasion he particularly noticed that these men constantly kept their hands hidden in their topcoat pockets.

Photographs of the Barker-Karpis mob were exhibited to Ollie Berg at this time, and he readily selected the photographs of Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis as the two above mentioned individuals.

Ollie further related that on the following morning Willie Dohney entered his room and stated that he was employed by Dr. Joseph P. Moran in the capacity of a nurse to the two men who had just moved in, meaning Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis. Concerning Dohney, Berg advised that he had previously met him in the Illinois State Penitentiary, at which time Dohney was a trusty in the hospital ward, working as chief nurse to Dr. Joseph P. Moran; that in January or February of 1934 Dohney was paroled from the above institution, and after his release he spent considerable time in Dr. Moran's office, who at that time had already moved to 4863 Irving Park Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

Ollie advised that on the third day after the arrival of Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis at his home, Dohney came to his room and requested that he stay with his two patients for a few minutes as he had to go to a drug store to purchase some medical supplies. Ollie stated that at this time he questioned Dohney concerning these men as he was becoming suspicious of them. Dohney replied, "Don't you know, Dr. Moran removed their fingerprints". Upon learning this, Berg became very aggravated over the fact that Dr. Moran had lied to him. He immediately called him on the telephone and advised that Willie had apprised him of the operations performed by him on his two friends and that he wanted them out of his home immediately as he did not want to become involved with any "hot" people. In this connection he stated that he had surmised that these men were wanted in view of having their fingerprints removed.

On the next day Dr. Moran came to Berg's home and apologized for making fabricated statements to him concerning these men. He advised that he did not know whom they were but that they had been referred to him by a mutual friend. He further stated that they wanted their fingerprints obliterated and that they would pay him well for this work. He stated that Dr. Moran advised him that he was badly in need of money, and it was for this reason alone that he agreed to take care of them; that Dr. Moran informed him that the operations were performed at the Irving Hotel and that he had obtained a room for them at this hotel for approximately one week; that during this period on one occasion the maid came into their room and saw them there; that the boys, Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis, suspected that the maid had recognized them, as at that time their faces were prominently displayed in the local newspapers; that for this reason they suggested that Dr. Moran immediately obtain a private room for them elsewhere. In this connection Dr. Moran stated that he knew that Ollie and his sister were operating a rooming house and for this reason referred them to Ollie.

Berg further stated that on the sixth day after Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis arrived at his home, Fred told him that he had heard through Willie Dohney and Dr. Joseph P. Moran that he was in dire financial straits, and that because of his hospitality and the fact that he had previously been in the racket, they would present him an opportunity to make some "easy dough".

On that evening Dr. Moran came to the house, at which time he was accompanied by a small, dark man, whom he introduced as "Shorty" and as the brother to one of the boys living upstairs. He advised that Dr. Moran and "Shorty" immediately went upstairs to see Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis, and a short time later "Shorty" came down alone. He advised that



at this time he had heard from his brother, Fred, that he, Ollie, was in need of money and because of the fact that he had been a "right guy", he promised his brother to give him a break. "Shorty" continued, according to Ollie, that they had a large quantity of "hot" money in their possession which they wished to sell, and in this connection asked if Ollie could, or if he knew of anyone who would be willing to take the chance of selling this money; further, that they would pay 12 1/2% on every dollar sold or exchanged, and that they did not care how or by whom the money was disposed of, but he stressed the point that the party who would receive the money from them would be entirely responsible for every dollar given to him. Ollie advised that he inquired of "Shorty" whether the money was counterfeit and "Shorty" replied that it was not but indicated that it was really "hot". "Shorty" further stated that there should not be any difficulty in getting this money exchanged as the notes were in \$5.00 and \$10.00 denominations. Ollie advised that "Shorty" did not volunteer where or under what circumstances the money in question was obtained but he believed that same was part of a loot of a bank holdup. Ollie advised that he did not give "Shorty" a definite answer at that time concerning whether he would accept this offer but advised that he would think it over and would let him know on the following day.

Agent Madala exhibited a photograph of Subject Arthur R. Barker to Ollie Berg, and he positively identified same as the man whom he met as "Shorty".

Continuing, Ollie stated that while he and "Shorty" were discussing the proposition, someone knocked on the door, and upon Ollie's inquiry as to whom it was, the caller answered that it was "Slim". Berg advised that "Shorty" immediately went for his gun and asked who Slim was, and when Ollie advised him that Slim was a good friend of his and that he likewise was in the racket, "Shorty" stated that it was all right for him to enter. Ollie stated that when Slim entered, he introduced him to "Doc" Barker as "Shorty", and at this time Ollie emphatically stated that he is firmly of the belief that this was the first time that the above two men had met each other.

Ollie advised that during the course of the conversation which followed, "Slim" told "Shorty" that he was from Kansas City and that he had at one time celled with "Pretty Boy" Floyd. "Shorty" asked Slim if he were acquainted with Johnny Lazia of Kansas City, stating in this connection that he was a very good friend of his. Slim replied that Lazia more or less raised him, and that he was well acquainted with his entire crowd. According to Ollie, they then began to talk about Oklahoma and Arkansas and it soon developed that they had mutual acquaintances in those states.

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Ollie stated that when "Shorty" left, he told Slim of the proposition presented to him by "Doc" Barker, and in this connection asked if he knew of anyone who was in the racket who could have this "hot" money exchanged. Slim immediately asked whether he knew what denominations this money consisted of, and when Ollie stated that some was in fives and tens, Slim remarked that he believed it to be part of the Bremer ransom money and strenuously advised Ollie against entering into any such deal.

Continuing, Ollie advised that on the following morning Dr. Joseph P. Moran came to 5248 Winthrop Avenue alone and at this time inquired why Ollie did not let him know about the offer which "Doc" Barker afforded him. In this connection he stated that "Shorty" had told him all about it, and that if Ollie could not find anyone to handle the deal, he knew of a party who was in that kind of racket, who perhaps might be interested in the matter. Ollie advised that he informed Dr. Joseph P. Moran that the money undoubtedly was kidnap ransom money, and for this reason emphatically told him to have nothing to do with it.

Later that day "Shorty" came to Ollie's place to drive his brother, Fred, away, and before they departed, he mentioned to Ollie that Dr. Moran had a party who thought he could take care of all the money they had. He further stated that there were no hard feelings between him and Ollie and was sorry that they could not do any business.

Ollie stated that two or three days later "Doc" Barker again came to the house and at this time he drove Alvin Karpis away.

About three weeks later Ollie received a long distance telephone call from "Doc" Barker at Gary, Indiana, who instructed him to have Dr. Moran and Slim at his home in about one hour. Ollie stated that before he could ask "Shorty" what it was all about, he hung up the receiver. However, he immediately called Dr. Moran's office and asked him if he knew where Slim could be located. Coincidentally, Slim was in Dr. Moran's office at that time so Ollie informed them of "Shorty's" call and requested them to be at his house in about an hour. They arrived thirty minutes later and shortly afterwards "Doc" Barker and another man entered with a suitcase. "Shorty" introduced this man to them as George and as a friend of his. A photograph of Harry Campbell was exhibited to Ollie Berg, and he positively identified same as being identical with the George above referred to.

Ollie advised that he asked "Shorty" concerning the purpose of this gathering, and "Shorty" stated on this occasion that he had with him three packages containing \$10,000.00 each. He then directed his attention to Dr. Joseph P. Moran and stated that the proposition he had



previously presented to him relative to the sale of "hot" money was still open; that it was very necessary then that the money in question be exchanged at once and in this connection he asked Dr. Moran how soon he could get his man to start. According to Ollie, Moran advised that he would have to call him on the telephone and then he would let "Shorty" know in a few minutes. When the doctor left to call from the corner drug store, "Shorty" advised Slim and Ollie that he did not trust Dr. Moran to any great extent as he appeared too anxious to handle this particular deal. He further stated that he was aware of the fact that Slim and Ollie were in need of money, and if they desired, he would pay them 2% on every dollar exchanged and all they had to do was to watch Dr. Moran and guard the money while it was in his possession; also that they would have to be present when the good money was brought in. Ollie advised that both he and Slim refused at first, but when "Shorty" assured them that there would not be any risk and that they would not be violating any law, they agreed to it.

When Dr. Joseph P. Moran returned, he advised that he made his contact, and that his party wanted \$10,000.00 at once. He also stated at this time that his man had informed him that he had a source whereby he could get rid of \$4,000.00 every day and further that he wanted to know how much money there was to be exchanged, whereupon Dr. Moran told him that it was an unlimited amount. "Shorty" then advised Dr. Moran that the money would be well guarded while it was in his possession, and that for this service Dr. Moran was to pay them out of his share of the stipulated commission of 2% each. Ollie stated that Dr. Moran was vehemently opposed to this at first, but when "Shorty" informed him that unless he agreed to his terms, he would make efforts to have the money sold through some other source, after some argumentation, Dr. Moran reluctantly consented to the above arrangement, whereupon "Shorty" opened his suitcase and drew therefrom a package wrapped in newspaper which he stated contained \$10,000.00. He gave same to Dr. Moran and told him to deliver it to his party immediately, instructing Slim to accompany him.

Ollie advised that when Slim and Dr. Moran returned about forty-five minutes later, "Shorty" and George were still at his place. Dr. Moran advised that he had successfully delivered the package and that his man indicated that he would want another \$10,000.00 in the next day or so. After some lapse, "Shorty" suggested that the money be retained in Ollie's room and that all contacts be made from his place. Ollie, however, strenuously refused to have his home used for this purpose, stating that he did not want any "heat" thrown on this place as he had had enough trouble with the law already, and in this connection he suggested that the money be transferred to the Irving Hotel, and that all subsequent transactions take place in Dr. Moran's room. "Shorty" agreed to this arrangement but stated that he wanted either Ollie or Slim or both to stay at the hotel

at all times while any part of the money was there. According to Ollie, this met with the approval of all concerned.

Ollie further stated that he remained at the Irving Hotel with Dr. Moran that night, and on the following morning at about 11:00 o'clock, Slim arrived. A few minutes later Dr. Moran received a telephone call and the party calling inquired whether everything was all right and then he stated he would be up in about five minutes. Immediately after the telephone conversation, Dr. Moran motioned to Slim to accompany him to his other room, which was room 211. Ollie, in the meantime, remained in room 210 alone. About ten or fifteen minutes later Dr. Moran returned to room 210 and advised that his man had brought in the good money and wanted another \$10,000.00. Ollie stated that he took a package from the suitcase and carried it into room 211, and it was at this time that he first met John J. "Boss" McLaughlin as Mr. Smith. At this point Ollie emphatically stated that he did not know the true identity of McLaughlin until he saw his name and photograph in the newspapers at the time of McLaughlin's arrest.

Continuing, Ollie advised that he placed the above mentioned newspaper package on the table in room 211 and "Boss" McLaughlin, after inquiring whether the money was all there, placed the package in question in his inner overcoat pocket and left. After his departure, Dr. Moran counted the money he had received from McLaughlin in the presence of Slim and Ollie, and to the best of Ollie's recollection, there was \$9375.00. In this connection he explained that the previous agreement between "Boss" McLaughlin and Dr. Joseph P. Moran was that each should receive  $6\frac{1}{4}\%$  on every dollar exchanged. Therefore, on this basis McLaughlin's commission on each \$10,000.00 would be \$625.00, which amount he always retained from the total turned over. Ollie stated that Dr. Moran took from the money received \$625.00 as his share, from which he gave \$200.00 each to Slim and Ollie pursuant to the above agreement.

Berg stated that about 2:00 o'clock that afternoon "Shorty" and a man whom he introduced as "Curly" came to the hotel and took away the \$8,750.00 of good money previously brought in by McLaughlin. "Shorty" at this time asked whether Dr. Moran's party had any difficulty in getting the money exchanged, and when Slim replied that to his knowledge he did not, he then replied, "Good, we have a lot more", and then departed. Berg selected the photograph of Volney Davis as being identical with the man whom he met as "Curly".

Ollie advised that Slim remained with Dr. Moran at the Irving Hotel that night, and on the following morning he came to the hotel at about 10:00 o'clock and found Slim and Dr. Moran drinking in room 210.

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At 11:00 A. M. Dr. Moran received a telephone call and Ollie overheard him say to the caller that everything was all right. After the conversation he stated that his party would be up in five minutes for another \$10,000.00. He then instructed Ollie to get a package from the suitcase as before and bring it into room 211. Ollie advised that Slim followed him into room 211, and a few minutes later McLaughlin appeared with the good money and gave same, which was wrapped in a newspaper package, to Ollie. Ollie advised he unwrapped the package in question, spread the money on top of the bed and counted it; that the amount again was \$9375.00, as McLaughlin had already retained his share of the commission. Ollie gave McLaughlin the package of "hot" money and he departed.

After McLaughlin left, Ollie gave Slim \$200.00, Dr. Moran \$225.00 and he kept \$200.00 for himself, after which he wrapped the balance of good money in the newspaper package and placed it in the dresser drawer in room 210. At about 1:45 that afternoon "Shorty" telephoned the hotel and inquired whether the good money had been brought in as yet. Slim talked to him and advised that it had, after which about twenty minutes later, "Shorty" and "Curly" entered the room and took away the second \$8750.00 of good money. However, before they departed "Shorty" stated to Slim that he wanted to talk to him alone and suggested that Dr. Moran and Ollie go to room 210 for a few minutes. They adjourned to the other room and approximately fifteen minutes later "Shorty" called Dr. Moran and Ollie into room 210 and stated that in the future Slim would handle all transactions with Dr. Moran's party, and that they, meaning "Curly" and "Shorty" would not come to the hotel any more for the good money, stating that Slim would take care of both ends. "Shorty" further explained that this new arrangement would not affect their present remuneration in any way, and that all they had to do was to be present when the good money was brought in. When "Shorty" and "Curly" left, Ollie asked Slim why this new arrangement was instituted, whereupon he advised that the boys did not want Dr. Joseph P. Moran and him to know where they were residing.

On the following day while Slim and Ollie were in room 210 of the Irving Hotel, McLaughlin called and said he would be up in five minutes. A short time later he appeared and turned the good money over to Slim, stating that he wanted \$15,000.00 more by 6:00 o'clock that evening and requested that same be brought to him at his home at that time. When McLaughlin left, Slim called Dr. Moran at his office and advised him to come to room 211 immediately. When he arrived, the good money was counted and the amount again was \$9375.00. Out of this total Slim gave Dr. Moran \$225.00, Oliver A. Berg \$200.00 and he retained \$200.00 as his share. Ollie then informed Dr. Moran that McLaughlin wanted \$15,000.00 by 6:00 o'clock, and in this connection asked him if he would let Jimmie Wilson have the afternoon off so that he could accompany him to get this money. At this point Ollie explained that the reason Slim preferred Jimmie

to go with him was because he already knew the location of their hiding place as he had previously brought them medicine and other provisions there.

Berg stated that when Slim and Jimmie Wilson left that afternoon, he observed them driving away in Slim's Ford 1934 model coupe in a westerly direction. Ollie left the hotel immediately thereafter and at 8:00 o'clock that evening he received a telephone call from Slim, requesting him to be at the Irving Hotel at 12:00 Noon the next day as McLaughlin promised to be there at 1:00 P. M. with the good money.

Ollie stated that McLaughlin appeared in room 210 at the Irving Hotel at 1:30 P. M. the following day, and at this time gave Slim \$15,000.00 less 6 1/4%, which, according to computation, would be \$14,062.50. McLaughlin advised that he wanted \$15,000.00 more and that he would call for it at the hotel at 10:00 o'clock the next morning. When he left, Slim gave Ollie \$300.00, Dr. Moran \$337.50 and he kept \$300.00 for himself as his percentage. Ollie advised that after the split was made, Jimmie Wilson stated that he was entitled to an equal share of the total commission, inasmuch as he was taking a greater risk than the others in traveling around with Slim when he went to get the money. Ollie stated that he and Slim refused to give him any part of their share in view of the fact that Dr. Joseph P. Moran had previously told him that he was giving him an equal split of his share as he was taking care of his office and personal matters while he was busily engaged in these transactions.

Continuing, Ollie stated that he returned to the hotel the following morning at 10:00 o'clock and at about 11:00 A. M. Jimmie Wilson and Slim came into room 210, the latter advising that he had met McLaughlin on the sidewalk in front of the hotel and at this time gave him the \$15,000.00 he had previously requested; that McLaughlin stated that he would have the good money at the hotel by 2:00 o'clock that afternoon.

At about 2:30 P. M. that day "Boss" McLaughlin came to the Irving Hotel and advised that he could only get \$12,000.00 exchanged. He stated, however, that his chauffeur knew of a banker in Louisville, Kentucky who was considered all right, and that if they were willing he would send his chauffeur to Louisville to have the \$3,000.00 exchanged; further, that if he left that night he could be back in two days. McLaughlin continued that if this did not meet with their approval, he would return the \$3,000.00 and thereafter would not take any more of the "hot" money. Ollie stated that Slim and Dr. Moran consented to this arrangement immediately but he argued against it for the reason that he did not believe it advisable to take this money out of the state. However, it was finally agreed that the above plan would be followed out.

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Ollie advised that after McLaughlin left on this occasion Slim split the commission on the \$12,000.00, and accordingly Ollie received \$240.00, Dr. Moran \$270.00 and Slim \$240.00 as their respective shares.

Later that afternoon Ollie again observed Slim and Jimmie Wilson drive away from the hotel in Slim's Ford coupe in a westerly direction. Ollie could not state where they drove to but advised that they apparently carried the money to "Shorty" and their boys at their hideout.

Berg further stated that two days later at about 12:00 Noon McLaughlin came to the Irving Hotel and advised that he was very much concerned and worried about his chauffeur; that he was due to arrive in Chicago at 10:00 A. M. that day and furthermore was to call him immediately upon his arrival. However, his chauffeur did not call at the designated time and at 11:00 A. M. McLaughlin telephoned the chauffeur's wife on two occasions, and each time he could not get any information from her, and he believed she was crying. McLaughlin further stated that in view of this he was afraid that his chauffeur had encountered some trouble. Upon receipt of this information, Slim stated that he was getting out "as it looks like the jig is up". He told McLaughlin to leave the hotel at once and warned him to keep his mouth shut; that after McLaughlin left Slim suggested to Ollie, Jimmie Wilson and Dr. Moran that they get out of town immediately, and that he was going to "tip off" the boys.

Berg continued, stating that he immediately left the hotel and went to his home, 5248 North Winthrop Avenue, and later that afternoon he observed in the newspapers that the Government had arrested John J. "Boss" McLaughlin in possession of a part of the Bremer ransom money.

At about 11:00 o'clock that evening, Jimmie Wilson and Dr. Joseph P. Moran came to Ollie's place, each carrying a suitcase, and asked whether they could remain with him over night as they did not dare to return to the hotel for fear of being arrested. Ollie advised that it would be all right, and on the following morning when Jimmie and Dr. Moran left, they stated they were leaving town and suggested that Ollie do the same thing.

About four days later Slim appeared at Ollie's place at 5248 North Winthrop Avenue and advised that the Government was watching his apartment and that they had taken his wife's Buick sedan. He continued that things were too "hot" for him in Chicago and that he was leaving town that night.

Ollie further stated that after Slim left that day, he did not hear from him again until five weeks later, at which time he called him at his home on the telephone and requested Ollie to come to the Harrison Hotel. He stated that he was registered there under the name of James Rogers from St. Louis, and that he could obtain his room number by asking for Mr. Rogers at the desk. Ollie advised that he saw Slim at the Harrison Hotel that day and was informed by him that the boys wanted to see him at once; that he should take the train that night for Toledo, Ohio, and register at the Fort Meigs Hotel upon his arrival there; that further instructions were that if Ollie did not want to go to Toledo, he was to give Slim \$900.00, which amount would be his share of the of the \$3,000.00 lost by McLaughlin's chauffeur, as previously mentioned. Concerning this, Ollie advised Slim that he did not have that much money in his possession at that time; that he only received \$940.00 on the entire transaction, some of which he had already spent, and that all the available cash he now has on hand is approximately \$700.00, which amount he is willing to turn over to them. Slim advised Ollie that the boys would not take less than \$900.00 and at this time he revealed that they wanted him, his wife and Ollie to take the remainder of the "hot" money and peddle it between Toledo, Ohio and Buffalo, New York; that they would pay as consideration the same as before, which was 12 1/2%. According to Ollie, Slim counseled him not to accept this new proposal, stating that he and his wife did not want any part of it. He advised, however, that under no circumstances should he tell the boys that he advised him, Ollie, against it. Slim further informed Ollie that if he did not have the \$900.00 to turn over, he had better go to Toledo or it would be "too bad" for him. Ollie advised that he finally thought it best to go, whereupon he asked Slim whether he was going, and if so, in what manner. Slim stated that he was driving but suggested that Ollie go by rail as he did not have any space for him in his car, inasmuch as he was taking his wife with him.

Upon reaching Toledo, Ollie checked in at the Fort Meigs Hotel as per instructions. At approximately 11:00 o'clock that morning he received a telephone call instructing him to go to room 203 or 207, he did not recall which, where he would meet a friend; further, that he should be in front of the hotel at 12:00 Noon sharp.

Ollie stated that a few minutes after the call, he went to room 203 or 207, and there found Dr. Joseph P. Moran and Jimmie Wilson with two women whom he had never seen before. Ollie stated that Dr. Moran and Jimmie Wilson casually greeted him and asked what he was doing in Toledo. Ollie advised that he did not care to discuss this matter in the presence of the two girls and walked out of the room.